

## AFGHANISTAN VOTES



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Two Afghan men cast their votes at a polling station in Wardak province, Afghanistan, on Saturday in the second round of presidential elections. With the Taliban threatening to disrupt the runoff vote, a slow trickle of Afghans braved the polls even as at least a dozen rockets or mortar rounds exploded nearby.

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## Iraq army's collapse may hold lessons for the future

By CHRIS CARROLL  
*Stars and Stripes*

WASHINGTON — The Iraqi army's failure to fight after the United States spent some \$20 billion and the lives of many U.S. troops to train and advise them holds a number of lessons, including some that may apply in Afghanistan.

The stunning collapse in the face of a far smaller al-Qaida-affiliated force may have been sparked by internal political and ethnic divides, but bad planning and failed diplomacy on the part of the United States played a major role, defense analysts said.

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The Iraqi army is running scared from fighters of the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant, which overran Mosul in recent days despite being heavily outmanned and outgunned. It has taken other towns across the country's north as well, and is pushing toward Baghdad.

Analysts said the person most to blame for the current crisis is Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki, a Shiite who has systematically marginalized the country's

Sunni population and purged the Iraqi army of talented officers in an effort to make it more loyal to him. The political shakedown of the military echoes the effect of a U.S. decision in 2003 to abolish Saddam Hussein's army and then allow Shiite leaders to prevent the return of experienced soldiers who had been loyal to the dictator.

As a result, his government appears to have lost the loyalty of Sunnis, who now increasingly support Sunni insurgents like ISIL. Then the military began to crumble.

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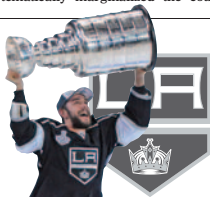
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"Our fathers and grandfathers and great-grandfathers have gone to Washington, and there's been no promises made and no promises kept. That's why we've not trusted the federal government."

—Tex Red Tipped Arrow Hall, tribal chairman of the Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara Nation in North Dakota, on treatment of Native Americans. President Barack Obama visited the reservation Friday.

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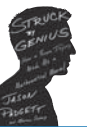
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## MILITARY

## Atheist chaplain candidate rejected

By CHRIS CARROLL  
Stars and Stripes

WASHINGTON — A Navy chaplain candidate who believes people can pursue "good without a god" said the recent rejection of his application would not stop his campaign to become the military's first humanist chaplain.

Jason Heap, an atheist who holds master's degrees in divinity and religious history, applied for a commission as a chaplain in July 2013 and learned in late May that he'd been turned down.

"I am exceptionally disappointed and aggrieved by the Navy's initial rejection of my application," he said in a written statement. "I will continue to seek acceptance. I hope military leaders will open their hearts to humanists and give me the opportunity to serve all sailors as a chaplain for the next 20 years or more."

The Navy offered no explanation for the decision by the Navy Chaplain Accreditation board, but it said in a written statement that Heap wasn't alone — most of the recent chaplain hopefuls were turned away.

"Due to the highly competitive nature of the board, less than 50 percent of the applicants could be recommended for a commission in the United States Navy," said Lt. Hayley C. Sims, a spokeswoman for the Chief of Navy Personnel. "Each applicant was considered without prejudice or partiality — specific details of individual appli-

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cations or the deliberation process are not releasable."

Heap's candidacy was sponsored by the Humanist Society, a nontheistic group that espouses ethical living and striving for the greater good of humanity without theistic or supernatural beliefs.

In April, the Army approved a request by Maj. Ray Bradley to list humanism as his religious preference — the first time such a designation has been allowed.

Although the Navy hasn't explained its decision, Jason Torpy, the "endorsing agent" for the Humanist Society, says it smacks of discrimination.

"They only support a certain subset of beliefs," Torpy said. "That's the message that I'm getting as a nontheist and that a lot of nontheists are getting."

In addition to overseeing chaplain candidates for the organization, Torpy also runs his own group known as the Military Association of Atheists and Freethinkers.

Torpy said the Humanist Society is supporting Heap as he explores administrative options to revive his chaplain candidacy.

Despite not having traditional

religious beliefs, large numbers of nonbelieving troops are still striving to live ethical and meaningful lives, and Heap could support them as a chaplain, Torpy said. And with his deep knowledge of other religions, Heap — who grew up Christian — is able to help all servicemembers, Torpy said.

Although not religious, Heap told Stars and Stripes last year that he has a deep respect for the religious impulse.

"Religion is existential. It's where people begin to think about, 'Is there more to life than just me?'" he said. "It's one of the most special utterings of human aspiration, desire, fear. It's people trying to come to grips with the natural order of life."

But critics say the chaplaincy is specifically designed to support servicemembers seeking to practice religious beliefs, not various philosophies of living.

"The key word there is belief, and the Navy is affirming that chaplains must be persons of faith," said Ron Crews, a retired Army chaplain and executive director of the Chaplain Alliance for Religious Liberty.

Through chaplains, the U.S. military works to support religious rights for members of a wide variety of religions, Crews said, some of which lack their own chaplains.

"There are many different expressions of belief represented in the military that do not have chaplain corps representations, such as Wiccans at this point," he said. "However chaplains will provide for those who want to form a group. ... The same would be true for those who come from an atheist freethinker association. If they want to form and meet, chaplains will be there to provide resources."

That hasn't been the case in the Navy, Torpy said. If officials had turned down Heap's application but followed up with offers to provide more support to humanist groups, the decision would have been seen in a different light, he said. "The important part of this is that the Navy has done no outreach," he said. "There's been no interest, no cooperation with humanist beliefs."

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## Army says no timeline for Bergdahl's reintegration

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SAN ANTONIO, Texas — Army Sgt. Bowe Bergdahl was nervous when he arrived back in the United States following five years of captivity by the Taliban, but he "looked good" and saluted a commanding officer who welcomed him home, military officials said. Bergdahl is working daily with health professionals to regain a sense of normalcy and move forward with his life, officials added.

Bergdahl's family has not joined him since he arrived at

Brooke Army Medical Center at Fort Sam Houston in Texas early Friday, and Army officials would not say when relatives might show up.

In a statement read at a news conference Friday, Bergdahl's parents said they "are overjoyed that their son has returned to the United States" but asked for privacy.

Maj. Gen. Joseph P. DiSalvo, who greeted Bergdahl upon his arrival from an Army medical facility in Germany, said he exchanged a few words with Bergdahl after a three-vehicle convoy met him.

"He appeared just like any sergeant would when they see a two-star general, a little bit nervous. But he looked good and saluted and had good deportment," DiSalvo said at the news conference, adding that Bergdahl was in stable condition.

Officials said there is no timeline for the final step in Bergdahl's reintegration process.

"We will proceed at his pace," said Col. Bradley Poppen, an Army psychologist.

As far as Bergdahl's interaction with relatives, Poppen said a soldier typically determines when to reunite with his or her family.

Poppen declined to release further details, citing the family's request for privacy. After the news conference, officials said they did not know if Bergdahl has spoken with his family.

Military officials declined to give details on what Bergdahl might remember about his capture or what he knows about the public uproar surrounding his capture and release.

In the short time he has been back on U.S. soil, Bergdahl, who can walk on his own, has been on a bland diet and has shown a fondness for peanut butter, officials said.

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## MIDEAST

# Security tight in second Afghan presidential vote

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KABUL — As Afghans turned out for the final round of the country's historic presidential ballot on Saturday, electoral enthusiasm seemed to be dampened in the capital with many polling stations nearly empty in stark contrast with the April poll that saw voters wait in hours-long lines to participate.

As with the first round of voting, there were reports of widespread violence in rural areas, with Minister of the Interior Mohammed Daudzai saying 26 police and soldiers and at least 20 civilians were killed in attacks across the country, with that number expected to rise with further reporting. The capital was mainly peaceful, although several rockets hit the city in the early morning, and some people said they were scared to vote after hearing the blasts.

The election, which pits former foreign minister Abdullah Abdullah against former finance minister Ashraf Ghani, would mark the first democratic transfer of power in the country's history. The two men were the biggest vote-getters on a crowded ballot in the initial round of voting April 5, but neither secured a majority, triggering Saturday's run-off election.

Almaid Youssef Nuristani, head of the Independent Election Commission, the Afghan government's main election body, estimated that 7 million people went to the polls, which would equal the total for the first round. However, election observers and poll workers interviewed by Stripes said they saw significantly fewer voters this round and Nuristani said the estimate is based on anecdotal evidence of higher turnout in rural areas than in the first round.

Polls closed at 4 p.m. Saturday and vote-counting began immediately afterward. But Afghans won't know who their next president is for a while — preliminary results aren't scheduled to be announced until July 2, with a final result expected July 22. In between, there likely will be political wrangling over allegations of fraud, voter intimidation and ballot stuffing.

After the first round of voting, the government's two main election bodies invalidated about 400,000 ballots out of 7 million cast.

Both candidates have already complained bitterly about unfair treatment and bias by the country's main election bodies, which will decide which votes to count and which to reject.

Pushing those arguments too far in the post-election period, though, could weaken the next government, said Kate Clark, analyst with the Kabul-based Afghanistan Analysts Network.

"One of the dangers is that the more the campaign teams complain about the process and the institutions, the more they delegitimize the position of the next president," she said.

Another worry is a close vote with the loser rejecting the results, which some fear could lead to street protests and unrest.

"The candidates need to take responsibility, manage their teams and supporters, and accept the outcome with cool heads," said Ghafoor Liwal, an Afghan political analyst and head of the Afghanistan Center for Regional Studies.

**‘As a young person, we are the ones who will have this country, so it is important that we be brave to vote.’**

Anayat Nasrat  
Afghan voter

13-year-old U.S.-led military operation, which has cost more than 2,300 American lives and hundreds of billions of dollars. President Hamid Karzai, who has ruled the country since shortly after the U.S. invaded in 2001, has refused to sign a security agreement the U.S. has said is necessary to keep a follow-on military training force in the country past Dec. 31, the deadline for all international combat troops to withdraw. Both presidential candidates have said they will sign the agreement.

Plans call for about 9,800 U.S. troops and advisers, and several thousand more from NATO countries, to remain in Afghanistan in 2015. The issue of continued training and mentoring for the Afghan forces is seen as critical, especially in view of the quick collapse in recent days of the U.S.-trained Iraqi army, which was left without American military advisers following the U.S. pullout in 2011.

Security was tight across Afghanistan, with all of the roads



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An election worker dips a voter's finger in ink to prevent fraud at a polling station in Wardak province, Afghanistan. The second round of voting seemed to be a lower turnout than the initial election April 5.



An Afghan policeman mans an election day checkpoint along the highway between Kabul and Wardak province on Saturday.

into Kabul closed to regular traffic and beefed-up checkpoints and car searches throughout the city. The security forces even called in recruits who had not yet completed their basic training to bolster their numbers.

Long stretches of the main road between Kabul and the adjacent Wardak province were empty of almost all vehicles except for those of security forces, which ranged from uniformed police to special operations soldiers riding in all-terrain vehicles.

In many parts of Kabul, scant crowds lined up to vote, in contrast to the long lines seen in the last round. Without an unwieldy provincial council candidate list to sort through, a quicker voting process may partly explain the shorter lines, although election observers and polling station managers reported fewer voters this time around.

Those who did cast their ballots issued a defiant message, saying they weren't afraid of Taliban threats to violently disrupt the election.

"We should come out and vote, no matter what happens to us," said Aziz, a 40-year-old housewife.

But some were kept away from the polls by fears of violence, compounded by the mornings

sounds of fighting.

"We'll try again this afternoon, if it's safe," he said.

Those attitudes mirrored the assessment of Col. Abdul Sami Bakhschi, who commands army troops in Wardak. He said whether or not residents choose to vote would often depend on the security situation.

Sitting in the ANA base in Maidan Shar with a reporter, Bakhschi watched as an improvised explosive device exploded across the valley in the middle of the city. While he said he was confident of his forces' ability to secure the election, the colonel had scaled back plans to personally visit polling sites because of a lack of troops and counter-IED equipment, electing instead to stay at an operations center.

"The Taliban are indiscriminately killing men, women, and children to send the message that they shouldn't participate in the government," he told Stars and Stripes. "So it makes sense that they are afraid."

To address that Bakhschi said Afghan security forces are focusing on reducing that fear by planning operations that will continue after election day itself. "It is clear that today is an important day for the country," he said. "But we will continue to conduct operations until people are safe."

Clashes were also reported across Kunar province, a Taliban stronghold in eastern Afghanistan, according to provincial police chief Abdul Habib Saidkhail. He said one woman was killed and that four other civilians and two Afghan troops were wounded in the fighting.

In Laghman province, a local official said two women and two children were killed when a rocket slammed into their home.

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# IRAQ

## Young Shiites volunteer to fight surging militants

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BAGHDAD — Hundreds of young Iraqi men gripped by religious and nationalistic fervor streamed into volunteer centers Saturday across Baghdad, answering a call by the country's top Shiite cleric to join the fight against Sunni militants advancing in the north.

Dozens climbed into the back of army trucks, chanting Shiite slogans and hoisting assault rifles, pledging to join the nation's beleaguered security forces to battle the Sunni group known as the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant, which has launched a lightning advance across the country.

"By God's will, we will be victorious," said one volunteer, Ali Saleh Aziz. "We will not be stopped by the ISIL or any other terrorists."

The massive response to the call by the Iranian-born Grand Ayatollah Ali al-Sistani, issued via his representative Friday, comes as sectarian tensions are threatening to push the country back toward civil war in the worst crisis since U.S. forces withdrew at the end of 2011.

Fighting from the al-Qaida splinter group, drawing support from former Saddam Hussein-era figures and other disaffected Sunnis, have made dramatic gains in the Sunni heartland north of Baghdad after overrunning Iraq's second-largest city of Mosul on Tuesday. Soldiers and policemen have melted away in the face of the lightning advance, and thousands have fled to the self-ruled

Kurdish region in northern Iraq. On Saturday, insurgents seized the small town of Adeim in Diyala province after Iraqi security forces pulled out, said the head of the municipal council, Mohammed Dhifan. Adeim is about 60 miles north of Baghdad. There was no official confirmation of the loss of the town.

Jawad al-Bolani, a lawmaker and former Cabinet minister close to Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki, said a military offensive was underway Saturday to drive the insurgents from Tikrit, Saddam's hometown north of Baghdad, although fighting in the area could not be confirmed.

AP Television News footage showed Kurdish fighters, known as peshmarga, driving out militants who had taken over an army outpost some 15 miles west of the oil city of Kirkuk. The position earlier had been abandoned by Iraqi army troops. Long coveted by the Kurds who have a self-rule region in northern Iraq, Kirkuk fell under the control of the peshmarga this week after Iraqi army forces left.

Iranian President Hassan Rouhani said Saturday his Shiite nation is ready to help Iraq if asked, adding that it has "no option but to confront terrorism."

Addressing a news conference, he suggested the Sunni militants in northern Iraq are linked to Iraqi politicians who lost in parliamentary elections held in April.

"We will study if there is a demand for help from Iraq. Until today, no specific request for help has been demanded. But we are ready to help within international law," he said. "Entry of our forces



PHOTOS BY KARIM KADIM/AP

Shiite tribal fighters raise their weapons while chanting slogans against the al-Qaida inspired Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant on Saturday in Baghdad's Sadr City after authorities urged Iraqis to help battle insurgents.

### Hagel orders carrier to Persian Gulf

WASHINGTON — Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel has ordered an aircraft carrier — the USS George H.W. Bush — to move from the northern Arabian Sea to the Persian Gulf as President Barack Obama considers possible military options for Iraq.

Hagel's press secretary, Rear Adm. John Kirby, said the order will give the president added flexibility if military action is required to protect American lives, citizens and interests in Iraq.

Company the carrier will be the guided-missile cruiser USS Philippine Sea and the guided-missile destroyer USS Truxtun. The ships were expected to complete their move into the Gulf later Saturday. The ships carry Tomahawk missiles, which could reach Iraq.

The Associated Press

(into Iraq) to carry out operations has not been raised so far. It's unlikely that such conditions will emerge."

Iran has built close political and economic ties with Iraq since the 2003 U.S.-led invasion

toppled Saddam's Sunni-led regime and many influential Iraqi Shiites, including al-Maliki, have spent years in exile in the Islamic Republic.

The fast-moving rebellion has emerged as the biggest threat to

Iraq's stability since even before the Americans left.

Long-simmering Sunni-Shiite tensions boiled over after the U.S.-led invasion ousted Saddam in 2003, leading to vicious fighting between the two Muslim sects. But the bloodshed ebbed in 2008 after a so-called U.S. surge, a revolt by moderate Sunnis against al-Qaida in Iraq and a Shiite militia cease-fire.

The latest bout of fighting, stoked by the civil war in neighboring Syria, has pushed the nation even closer to a precipice that could partition it into Sunni, Shiite and Kurdish zones.

Shiite cleric and political leader Ammar al-Hakim was shown on television networks donning camouflaged military fatigues as he spoke to volunteers from his party, although he still wore his clerical black turban that designates him as a direct descendant of the Prophet Muhammad.

## UN official warns of war crimes, atrocities in Iraq

BY JOHN HEILPRIN  
The Associated Press

GENEVA — With Islamic insurgents pushing toward Baghdad, the U.N.'s top human rights official expressed "extreme alarm" Friday at reports of war crimes.

U.N. High Commissioner for Human Rights Navi Pillay warned of "murder of all kinds" and other war crimes in the fast-deteriorating Iraqi war zone.

In a first estimate of the number of killed and wounded in the area, her office said the number of killed may run into the hundreds and the number of wounded could approach 1,000.

Pillay also shed some light on the brutalities occurring in Iraq, saying her office had received

reports of militants rounding up and killing Iraqi army soldiers and 17 civilians in a single street in Mosul.

Her office said it has also learned of summary executions, rape, extrajudicial and reprisal killings, and about civilians being sheltered as fighters from the al-Qaida-inspired Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant overran a succession of major cities earlier in the week.

Deeply disturbing, she said, are reports that the fighters, including prisoners they had released from jails in Mosul and provided with arms, have been actively seeking out and sometimes killing soldiers, police and others. She said victims also included civilians, who the fighters believe are associated with Prime Minister Nouri

al-Maliki's government.

Pillay warned those fighting to abide by international law, which requires humane treatment of members of armed forces who have laid down their arms. She also stressed that "murder of all kinds, mutilation, cruel treatment and torture constitute war crimes."

"I am extremely concerned about the acute vulnerability of civilians caught in the cross-fire, or targeted in direct attacks by armed groups, or trapped in areas under the control of ISIL and their allies," Pillay said.

"And I am especially concerned about the risk to vulnerable groups, minorities, women and children," she said. "There will be particular scrutiny of the conduct of ISIL, given their well-

documented record of committing grave international crimes in Syria."

A U.N. commission investigating human rights abuses in Syria said that the fighters were committing crimes against humanity and other violations in the Syrian

provinces of Raqqa, Idlib and Aleppo as recently as March.

Sunni fighters with the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant have captured large swaths of territory in Iraq and Syria, aiming to create an Islamic emirate spanning both sides of the border.

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# IRAQ

## Lessons: Expert says US military had warned of breakdown of Iraqi forces

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With a heavily politicized, poorly led military and the brutal tactics of the Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant on full display in areas the group already had overrun — including mass killings of Shiites and Sunnis loyal to the government — many troops panicked, stripped off their uniforms and fled, said Rick Brennan, a former top U.S. planner in Iraq and senior political scientist for the RAND Corp.

"They had no desire to sit and die and be beheaded," he said. "Once a military organization starts to crumble and your buddies are leaving, it becomes hard for unit cohesion to be maintained."

### No agreement

Iraq might look far different with a small force of U.S. advisers in the country to help with missions such as close air support and intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance, analysts said. But that potential disappeared when the United States and Iraq were unable to reach a status of forces agreement to provide legal protections to U.S. troops, resulting in a complete troop pullout in 2011.

Retired Maj. Gen. Paul Eaton, who was charged with establishing the Iraqi military in 2003 and 2004 and has been referred to as the "Father of the Iraqi Army" said al-Maliki's intractability on a status-of-forces agreement, or SOFA, was preventing the country from receiving needed military assistance from the U.S.

As few as 1,000 U.S. advisers might have been able to do the job, said Eaton, an analyst with the left-leaning National Security Network.

"I believe that had we left a corps of advisers with plugs into ISR and logistics and air support, then we would be in a different place than we are now," he said.

The Pentagon announced Friday the United States would begin providing more intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance help to the Iraqi government.

But other analysts said President Barack Obama's stated intention to end the war in Iraq led to continued downward pressure on the planned number of advisers, until it fell to a small fraction of what military planners originally hoped for.

When the administration settled on just over 3,000 troops to remain, plus another 1,500 on a rotational basis, al-Maliki may have considered it a "drop in the bucket" not worth negotiating seriously for, said Brennan, a retired Army officer.

"There may not have been a strong desire to keep U.S. forces there on the part of the United States, and so our departure created a wide range of problems," he said.

The potential breakdown of Iraqi forces was foreseen years ago.

"The U.S. military warned of this stuff — we knew of it," he said. "It's the whole reason for the [post-2011] plan that was in place."

### Repeating mistakes?

James Carafano, a national se-



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**Marksmanship instructor Benjamin Shaw of the Multi National Forces-West Training Center teaches Iraqi army recruits proper firing positions in 2007.**

curity analyst for the conservative Heritage Foundation and 25-year Army veteran, said Obama appears to be following the same playbook in Afghanistan that he used in Iraq.

"The president is looking for the smallest possible number he can get away with," Carafano said. "It's the minimum amount of forces that can protect and sustain themselves, not the minimum number that can support and sustain the Afghan military."

Eaton said supporting Afghanistan's government could be more complicated than supporting Iraq's. But the Obama administration, which last month said it would maintain thousands of U.S. advisers for two years if a status-of-forces agreement is signed, is on the right track, he said. The plans call for 9,800 U.S. advisers in the country in 2015, dropping to half that number in 2016 before a withdrawal at the end of the year.

"Afghanistan on so many levels appears to be a lot more difficult than Iraq, because they have so much less to work with. They don't have wealth, they don't have literacy, and they have similar ethnic problems," he said. "I think Afghanistan is going to be a big challenge, but it appears that we will retain a force structure there that will allow the incubation of viable forces for a while. That should help us out."

Anthony Cordesman, a national security analyst for the Center for Strategic and International Studies, said ignoring formerly vital local forces during a U.S. pullout was destructive in Vietnam and Iraq.

The "Sons of Iraq" armed Sunni groups credited by President George W. Bush with helping stop terrorism during an earlier Sunni insurgency in 2006, later were disbanded by the Shiite-dominated Defense Ministry, and former members now ap-

pear to be supporting the Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant in its campaign against the Shiite-dominated government.

If the U.S. still had boots on the ground in Iraq, he said, it likely could have exerted pressure on al-Maliki to work with Sunni groups as happened previously, several analysts said.

The Afghan Local Police and other local forces in Afghanistan likewise have played key roles in fighting violence, but there seems to be no plan to support them after 2014, Cordesman said. If the withdrawal of support recurs, it could help create chaos, he said.

"Nobody has really clearly articulated what we're going to

do with local and tribal forces, which were critical in Vietnam and got abandoned and underfunded when we left," said. "It was the same in Iraq. Essentially you not only lost a key element of your force structure, but you saw it turn against you."

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## IRAQ

# What was it for?

Angry and sad, veterans watch as insurgents undo sacrifices in Iraq

By BRIAN MURPHY  
The Associated Press

Marine Sgt. Colin Archibley's unit suffered heavy casualties in the savage house-to-house fighting against insurgents holed up in the Iraqi city of Fallujah in 2004.

Nearly a decade later, he watched in frustration from his organic farm north of San Diego as an al-Qaida splinter group seized control of Fallujah, Mosul and other Iraqi cities that Lima Company and other units risked so much to protect.

Iraq's opportunity "was squandered," he said. "I'm not sure what else we could have done."

At Veterans of Foreign Wars halls, kitchen tables and rehabilitation clinics around the country, last week's stunning advance into Mosul left many U.S. veterans reflecting with bitterness and sadness on the sacrifices of a war that lasted for more than eight years and killed nearly 4,500 Americans and tens of thousands of Iraqis.

"In many ways, it just feels like a waste — a waste of many lives, a waste of many years," retired Army Col. Barry Johnson said from his home in Potlatch, Idaho.

On the broad stage of Middle East affairs, the unraveling highlights the resilience of extremists and the risks of weakened central authority. It also raises wider questions about the future of Afghanistan after international forces withdrew later this year and about the growing influence of militant Islamic factions among Syrian rebels.

Johnson stood on Iraq's border with Kuwait as the last U.S. military convoy left in late 2011. Even then, he said, it was evident that Iraq's military and security forces were not up to the challenges at hand.

Those tests included trying to confront strongholds of groups such as the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant, which has managed to drive back better-armed Iraqi forces. Iraq's Shiite-led government — allied with both Washington and Tehran — is also increasingly estranged from Iraq's Sunni minority, which claims the Shiite leadership runs roughshod over their rights and concerns.

It was clear that the Iraqi government and the Iraqi military were not going to be able to sustain themselves and keep the situation from deteriorating," Johnson said.

Because the cities loom so large on the roll call of Iraq battlefields, their loss sharpens the sting.

Fallujah, a mostly Sunni city west of Baghdad, was the scene in 2004 of some of the heaviest U.S. urban combat since Vietnam. It later became a centerpiece of Washington's efforts to recruit Sunni militants as allies against insurgents.

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U.S. Marines stand guard on top of a vehicle, covering an Army convoy leaving Baghdad, on April 19, 2003.



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former Marine Sgt. Ben Colin at VFW Post No. 6776 in Albany, N.Y. "We just basically went there and did nothing, in my opinion."

In Mosul, Iraq's second-largest city, U.S. forces battled block by block against insurgents in 2009 before the deadline for American troops to leave major urban centers.

Martin Schaefer, an Army reservist who did two tours in Iraq and now lives in Darien, Ill., grieved for the right word to define his emotions. Not mad or upset, he said.

"Sad," he decided. "Sad to see that the work that had been accomplished by the U.S. and Iraqi forces is being undone by an insurgency."

In the Boston suburb of Arlington, veteran Jeffrey Chunglo

winced at reports of insurgents seizing U.S. military equipment, including armored vehicles and weapons that had been left with Iraqi forces to defend Mosul.

"I think we were in a hurry for an exit strategy," said Chunglo, who served as a senior hospital corpsman with the Navy. "I think obviously, a little more time could have been spent putting together a better plan for ongoing monitoring — especially over the last year — to limit the (insurgents') impact."

But many veterans acknowledge the pressures in Washington from a war-weary nation, particularly with Taliban violence on the rise in Afghanistan and demands for greater involvement in the Arab Spring uprisings.

New York veteran Matthew Pelak questions the stagger-

ing mandate given to U.S. commanders after the 2003 invasion to bridge the huge rifts between Iraq's three major groups: Sunnis who once rode high under Saddam, majority Shiites who took the mantle after Saddam's fall and the semi-autonomous Kurds in the north.

"We removed the government, the standing army, any way for that country to organize itself," said Pelak, a former Army sergeant who served in Iraq from 2004 to 2005 and later returned as a security contractor with the company then called Blackwater. "So it's a bit tough to just say, 'Hey, let's all play nice in the sand box.'"

In Iraq, Marine Staff Sgt. Marcus Berleson, of Weatherford, Texas, served as a squad leader. In Afghanistan, he lost both arms

and vision in his left eye trying to disarm an improvised bomb in December 2011.

"When we pulled out of (Iraq), we left a big power void," said Berleson, who now does outreach with wounded veterans. "We didn't have the country stable on its feet yet. It didn't have a true infrastructure. It didn't have true security forces or a military that was actually willing to stand up and secure the country for itself."

But few veterans appeared to support a return of U.S. ground forces to Iraq — a prospect that Pelak called "an incredibly bad idea."

"I think there is no place for the U.S. military right now in there," he said. "It would further just confuse the situation in an already chaotic environment."

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## IRAQ



MILITARY VIDEO/AP

In this screen shot posted on a personal social network account Friday and authenticated by The Associated Press, militants from the al-Qaida-inspired group Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant gather at a border crossing between Iraq and Syria after Iraqi security forces fled.

## Crimea, Iraq catch US intel off guard

By SHANE HARRIS  
Foreign Policy

WASHINGTON — United States intelligence agencies were caught by surprise when fighters from the Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant seized two major Iraqi cities last week and sent Iraqi defense forces fleeing, current and former U.S. officials said last week. With U.S. troops long gone from the country, Washington didn't have the spies on the ground or the surveillance gear in the skies necessary to predict when and where the jihadist group would strike.

The speed and ease with which the well-armed and highly trained militants took over Mosul, Iraq's second-largest city, and Tikrit have raised significant doubts about the ability of American intelligence agencies to know when the group might strike next, a troubling sign as the Islamist group advances to Baghdad. And it harked back to another recent intelligence miscue, in February, when U.S. spy agencies failed to predict the Russian invasion of Crimea. Both

events are likely to raise questions about whether the tens of billions of dollars spent every year on monitoring the world's hot spots is paying off — and what else the spies might be missing.

The CIA maintains a presence at the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad, but the agency has largely stopped running networks of spies inside the country since U.S. forces left Iraq, current and former U.S. officials said. That's in part because the Joint Special Operations Command actually had taken the lead in hunting down Islamic militants. With the JSOC commanders gone, the intelligence agencies have been forced to try to track groups like Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant through satellite imagery and communications intercepts — methods that have proven practically useless because the militants relay messages using human couriers, and move around in such small groups that they easily blend into the civilian population.

Policymakers in Washington and other allied capitals were similarly unsure of the group's true strength or how to respond. In late

May, Secretary of Defense Chuck Hagel met with defense officials from Arab countries in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, where they agreed that Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant and other Islamic fighters in Syria and Iraq posed a threat to the entire region, a senior U.S. official said. But no plan on how to counter those groups emerged from the meeting, and there's no indication that U.S. intelligence agencies stepped up monitoring of the group's fighters in Iraq, who also seized control of Fallujah and parts of Ramadi in January.

"We got caught flat-footed. Period," said Daved Gartenstein-Ross, a terrorism analyst and senior fellow at the Foundation for Defense of Democracies, who studies ISIS and other al-Qaida-linked groups. Although for the past three years U.S. officials had assessed that ISIS was strong enough "to go toe-to-toe" with the Iraqi military, there has been no indication that the U.S. intelligence agencies knew ISIS was about to mount a major offensive to take over two more cities simultaneously, Gartenstein-Ross said.

## America's role in Iraq has shifted since troop pullout in '11

By ROBERT BURNS  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Embassy in Baghdad is the largest in the world, but America's presence in Iraq has been shrinking. Some questions and answers about America's role in Iraq, where the U.S. military fought an eight-year war that ousted President Saddam Hussein and cost hundreds of billions of dollars and more than 4,400 U.S. lives:

**How many U.S. troops are in Iraq?**  
There have not been any American combat forces in Iraq since the U.S. military mission ended in December 2011. There are a little over 100 U.S. military personnel in a section of the U.S. Embassy that coordinates U.S. foreign military sales to Iraq. It is called the Office of Security Coopera-

tion and Iraq and is headed by Army Lt. Gen. John M. Bednarek. That office is at the forefront of U.S. efforts to help the Iraqi government further develop its security forces. More than 100 U.S. Marines provide security at the embassy.

**Do U.S. troops still train Iraqi forces in the field?**

No. The Obama administration had proposed providing troops for that purpose before the U.S. departure in 2011, but Baghdad rejected Washington's insistence that its troops be granted immunity for prosecution while in the country. So what remained after 2011 was the small group that is coordinating security assistance. One of the largest training missions was based at the air base in the city of Balad, about an hour northwest of Baghdad, where three planeloads of Americans were evacuated last week as in-

surgents worked their way toward Baghdad.

**How big is the U.S. Embassy?**  
There are roughly 5,000 U.S. personnel in the embassy, making it the largest U.S. diplomatic post in the world. Until the recent burst of insurgent violence, the Obama administration had been planning to reduce the size of the embassy. At this point, it's unclear whether that plan will be carried out, sped up, or scrapped.

**Does the U.S. have a presence in Iraq outside of Baghdad?**

Yes, the State Department has consulates in three cities: Basra in the Shiite-dominated south; Irbil in the Kurdish semi-autonomous region in northeastern Iraq; and Kirkuk, long disputed between Arabs, Kurds and Turkmen.

**Are there U.S. military contractors in Iraq?**

No. As of Dec. 15, 2013, all Amer-

ican contractors helping familiarize and train Iraqis with weapons and military equipment purchased from the U.S. are working under Iraqi government contract. Previously they had been Pentagon contractors, but that changed when the Iraqi government took final control of the last of several sites where the contractors have been providing a range of military sales support and training.

**What kind of weapons are the Iraqis buying from the U.S.?**

The biggest of the big-ticket items is the F-16 fighter. Iraq is buying 36 of them for \$3 billion. It took official possession of the first plane at a ceremony this month at Lockheed Martin's facility in Fort Worth, Texas, but none of the planes has yet arrived in Iraq. The U.S. also has recently sold a variety of high-end equipment, including hundreds of Hell-

fire air-to-ground missiles, tank ammunition, grenades, rifles and other weapons. The Pentagon recently notified Congress of plans to sell an additional \$1 billion in military equipment to Iraq.

**How much aid has the U.S. provided to Iraq over the years?**

According to the bipartisan Congressional Research Service, the U.S. has provided about \$56 billion in assistance since the U.S. invasion in 2003. That consists mainly of \$21 billion in "relief and reconstruction" funds and \$20 billion for the equipping and training of Iraqi security forces. That is separate from the cost of fighting the war. Also, on Friday the State Department spokeswoman Jen Psaki said the U.S. is sending about \$12 billion in humanitarian aid to help nearly a million Iraqis who have been forced from their homes by recent fighting.

## NATO chief heads to Turkey for talks on crisis

By SLOBODAN LEKIC  
Stars and Stripes

NATO's top official is heading to Turkey as the crisis escalates in neighboring Iraq, where Islamic militants have occupied large parts of the country and are threatening to advance on the capital of Baghdad.

Secretary-General Anders Fogh Rasmussen will meet with top Turkish officials during the Sunday-Monday visit, an alliance statement said Friday.

On Wednesday, NATO envoys held a rare, emergency meeting in Brussels at Turkey's request to discuss the deteriorating situation in Iraq, where militants belonging to the Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant are holding 80 Turkish citizens hostage. NATO officials said the meeting was purely informational and that Turkey had not requested alliance assistance in securing its borders against the rapidly advancing militants.

On Thursday, Rasmussen said that he didn't see a role for NATO in Iraq. "We don't have a mandate. We don't have a request. But we follow the situation closely," he said.

NATO's 28 member nations have been focused in recent months on the escalating confrontation with Russia over Ukraine, which some analysts have warned could lead to a revival of the Cold War on the Continent. After the 13-year war in Afghanistan, most member states are wary of another military engagement outside the alliance's traditional theater of operations in Europe and the North Atlantic.

In Iraq, Sunni insurgents aligned with al-Qaida already have overrun the second-largest city, Mosul, as well as Tikrit, and have closed in on the country's biggest oil refinery and the holy Shiite shrine in Samarra. They have announced plans to head south and to seize Baghdad from the disintegrating government forces.

But in Baghdad, a senior Western diplomat said it was unlikely that the Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant could storm the city with the limited forces at its disposal. A more likely scenario could see the religious radicals laying siege to the capital in a campaign that would last several months.

The official, who spoke on usual condition of anonymity, acknowledged that Western diplomats had been caught by surprise "by the remarkable speed with which ISIL has seen off the Iraqis." Still, although foreign missions were conducting "prudent planning," they were not preparing for a mass evacuation from the capital.

At the State Department, spokesperson Jen Psaki said, the status of staffing at the U.S. Embassy and consulates had not changed. However, U.S. citizens "under contract to the Government of Iraq, in support of the U.S. Foreign Military Sales (FMS) program in Iraq, are being temporarily relocated by their companies due to security concerns in the area."

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## MILITARY

# VA: Wait times in audit included some big caveats

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NEW YORK — Data released by Veterans Affairs officials last week appeared to confirm that new patients at the agency's medical centers were routinely waiting 30, 50 or even more than 90 days to see a doctor. It turns out those statistics came with some big caveats.

Average wait times at many of the facilities are likely much shorter, Philip Matkovsky, an assistant deputy undersecretary at the Department of Veterans Affairs, told The Associated Press on Friday.

He said information about patients who received care very quickly was left out of the analysis for technical reasons.

"They are valid numbers," he said of audit results issued Monday, but acknowledged that the exclusion of those receiving swift care and other factors led to longer average reported wait times for some facilities than actually experienced by veterans.

One reason for the disparity is that the audit essentially represented a look into future doctor visits, while another VA data system assessed wait times by looking at the past, Matkovsky said.

The bottom line, though, he added, remains unchanged: Many veterans are still waiting too long for care.

"Nobody should wait 90 days for an appointment from when they want to be seen," he said.

Since Monday's release of average wait time data by VA headquarters officials in Washington, administrators at local VA medical centers have been questioning the announced audit results, saying they didn't jibe with internal data showing far shorter waits. The complaints have come not only from plans to open new primary care patients at 41 days, Ryan said the real wait was a fraction of that, typically just a day or two.

At the Durham VA Medical Center in North Carolina, officials said they were baffled after the audit singled them out as having a whopping 104-day average wait for new patients seeking mental health services, they said the VA's national scheduling data-

base pegged the overall average wait time this year for the same category of patients at 25 days.

Beth Brown, director of the Louis A. Johnson VA Medical Center in Clarksburg, W.Va., said her most recent batch of data for April showed new patients waiting an average of eight days for primary care, 21 days to see a specialist and 11 days for mental health services. The audit had entirely different numbers: 54 days for primary care, 86 days for a specialist and 96 days for mental health services.

For the audit, investigators essentially took a snapshot of all appointments in the VA's medical scheduling system as it existed on May 15. At that time, there were about 6 million visits that had been scheduled but hadn't yet taken place. The average wait times in the audit report were

**'Our numbers are significantly better than what was released.'**

Dr. Jeffrey Ryan  
Jesse Brown VA  
Medical Center in  
Chicago

based on the time elapsed between when these appointments were requested and when they were scheduled to occur. By contrast, the data systems traditionally relied on by local VA staff to examine wait times is based on historical data — meaning, appointments that have already occurred. That data may not be reliable, either; the VA is investigating widespread manipulation of appointment data by schedulers.

The forward-looking audit released Monday doesn't account for appointments that might be rescheduled, canceled or moved up as doctors' schedules open up. It also omits same-day appointments and many other appointments for people who got care within a few days of first requesting it.

Those factors have the effect of inflating average waiting times sometimes by a lot — although they don't erase the fact that thousands of people have been forced to wait weeks or even months for care they wish they could have right away.

Matkovsky said the VA will make both sets of data available to hospital administrators going forward so they can see how they performed in the past and also get a picture of how their appointment calendars are shaping up in the months ahead.



COREY DICKSTEIN, SAVANNAH (GA.) MORNING NEWS/AP

## Celebrating the Army

More than 5,000 soldiers with the Army's 3rd Infantry Division participate in a 4-mile division run through Fort Stewart, Ga., on Friday to commemorate the Army's birthday. The U.S. Army was founded on June 14, 1775, as the Continental Army.

## Navy promoting competition

By AMRITA JAYAKUMAR  
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The Navy hopes publicly ranking its contractors will promote competition.

Business units of General Dynamics, Lockheed Martin and Northrop Grumman were included as "superior suppliers" in the first-of-its-kind list, which the Navy compiled under a program known as the Superior Supplier Incentive Program. The initiative is part of the Pentagon's overhaul of the government acquisition process, known as Better Buying Power.

The Navy's list could act as a template for other government departments, Frank Kendall, undersecretary of defense for acqui-

sition, technology and logistics, said Friday in a media briefing.

"The recognition that they're not in [the list] is going to be an incentive" for companies to talk to their government customers about areas of improvement, Kendall said.

"We're going to learn what motivates industry, we're going to learn how good we are at assessing industry performance and as we learn those things the program will evolve," Elliott Branch, the deputy assistant secretary of the Navy, said in a statement.

The Navy started out by selecting the largest 30 contractors based on "contract obligations" for assessment, said Sean Stackley, the Navy's assistant secretary for research, development and

acquisition.

Contractors were ranked based on their cost, scheduling and quality performance during the last three years, as evaluated by government program managers, Stackley said. Different business units were considered separately.

Here are the top nine, in alphabetical order: General Dynamics Combat Systems; General Dynamics Marine Systems; General Electric Aviation; Lockheed Mission Systems and Training; MHSCo Sikorsky Lockheed Partnership; Northrop Grumman Aerospace Systems; Raytheon Integrated Defense Systems; Raytheon Intelligence, Information and Services; and Rolls-Royce Defense Aerospace.

## NC House adjusts contamination lawsuit rule

The Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C. — Legislation moved quickly through the North Carolina House seeking to clarify a judicial rule cited by the U.S. Supreme Court last week in blocking people in Asheville from suing for damages over contaminated water.

The chamber voted unanimously Friday to change what's called the "statute of repose,"

which bars lawsuits brought more than 10 years after any alleged contamination occurred. The proposal tries to make clear that the 10-year period should not be interpreted as barring personal-injury cases involving certain groundwater contamination.

The change is in response to Monday's Supreme Court ruling that a group of Asheville homeowners cannot sue a nearby elec-

troplating business they blamed for contaminating their land because the contamination ended in the 1980s — even though they didn't learn of the pollution until 2009. A similar situation exists at Camp Lejeune, the Marine Corps base where the government says exposure to contaminated water ended in 1987.

The measure goes to the Senate early this week.



## NATION

# Obama leaving immigration in GOP's hands

By JOSH LEDERMAN  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — To the frustration of many of his supporters, President Barack Obama is backing away from immigration changes he could make on his own. He is kicking the issue to House Republicans instead, despite mounting evidence they won't address the millions of immigrants living illegally in the United States.

This week, lawmakers from both parties summarily declared immigration-overhaul efforts dead after House Majority Leader Eric Cantor suffered an unexpected defeat at the hands of a fellow Republican who criticized him as too soft on the issue. But Obama still voices hope Congress will act.

"Our strategy has not changed," says

White House communications director Jennifer Palmieri. "The impetus for action remains on the House."

It's an approach that's drawing friendly fire from immigration advocates who say Obama has been sitting on his hands long enough. For starters, they want immediate action to slow deportations.

But the White House wants to ensure that if and when an overhaul ultimately dies in Congress, Republicans can't claim it was Obama who pulled the plug. Instead, Obama hopes his strategy will allow Democrats down the road to put all the blame on Republicans for failing to deal with immigrants in the U.S. illegally.

It's not as if Obama could legalize an estimated 11.5 million people with a wave of his hand.

Last month in the Oval Office, Homeland Security Secretary Jeh Johnson presented him with a basket of options he'd developed after the president personally ordered a review of how he could make deportation policy more humane, said a senior White House official. The official spoke only on condition of anonymity to describe a private meeting.

Johnson's options were narrow and would affect only small groups of immigrants facing deportation, the official said — a far cry from the across-the-board freeze many immigration advocates are demanding.

Even so, Obama directed Johnson to hold off. Republicans were arguing that if Obama acted unilaterally, he would prove he can't be trusted to enforce immigration laws and would doom prospects for the

legislative overhaul he so badly wants. So Obama decided to wait until it was certain House Republicans wouldn't act during a narrow summertime window before the midterm elections.

For many lawmakers, that window closed this week. Cantor was trounced in his Virginia primary by an obscure, underfunded professor who had accused him of supporting "amnesty" and open borders. Cantor denied that, but no matter. Members of both parties said Republicans would draw a clear lesson: GOP voters will punish anyone who doesn't take a firm stance on immigration — even the House's No. 2 Republican.

"I think immigration is dead for the rest of the year," said Rep. John Fleming, a conservative Louisiana Republican. "I wouldn't be surprised if it ends it for the entire term of President Obama."

## President makes rare visit to ND reservation

By KATIE ZEZIMA  
The Washington Post

CANNON BALL, N.D. — This isolated town nestled in the undulating prairie of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribal Nation is so small, its only formal sign is a boulder spray-painted with "C. Ball." But Friday afternoon, it briefly became the center of the American political world when President Barack Obama and first lady Michelle Obama visited.

It was Obama's first stop as president on an Indian reservation, where he touted the strides his administration has made with Native Americans, unveiled new tribal education and economic measures and touched on the difficult work that remains to pull many Indians out of crippling poverty and endemic unemployment.

"My administration is determined to partner with tribes," Obama said. "It takes place every day on just about every issue that touches your lives."

The administration announced plans to redesign the Bureau of Indian Education to better educate native children and increase tribal control of schools. The White House also plans to remove regulatory barriers to infrastructure and energy development, encourage the use of tax-exempt bonds for economic development and increase the number of veterans that the Bureau of Indian Affairs and Indian Health Services hire.

Many tribal leaders say Obama has done more in six years for Native Americans than all of his predecessors combined. The administration has given land back to tribes, worked one-on-one with tribal governments and is cracking down on crime in Indian Country.

"The best thing that's happened to Indian Country has been President Obama being elected," said Dave Archambault, chairman of



TOM STROME, BISMARCK (N.D.) TRIBUNE/AP

President Barack Obama visits with Native American youngsters Friday in Cannon Ball, N.D.

Standing Rock.

But many Native Americans also retain deep distrust of a federal government that historically has reneged on agreements and, many believe, treated Native Americans as an afterthought for generations.

"There's been a bad track record. Our fathers and grandfathers and great grandfathers have gone to Washington, and there's not no promises made and no promises kept. That's why we've not trusted the federal government," said Tex Red Tipped Arrow Hall, tribal chairman of the Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara Nation in North Dakota. On Standing Rock, where a casino is the main economic driver, the statistics paint a bleak picture: Forty percent of the residents live in poverty and two-thirds are unemployed. Sexual assault and violence have long been problems on the reservation, which stretches down into South Dakota and is roughly the size of Connecticut. Rates of suicide and alcoholism are high and at least half of high-schoolers drop out.

"It's kind of a poor town. There's no money," said resident Paul Red-Dogg. He is unemployed and his options are limited because



MANUEL BALCE CENTA/AP

Members of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribal Nation dance Friday during the visit by the president and first lady.

he cannot afford a car.

Despite such realities, Archambault said he remains optimistic, in part because of Obama's outreach to Native Americans.

Obama has hosted annual conferences for tribal leaders in Washington, where native officials discussed issues facing their communities with White House and administration staffers. Obama's senior policy adviser for Native American Affairs, Jodi Gillette, grew up on Standing Rock.

"The fact that tribal leaders can pull you go sit down with the president, this is something that has rarely ever occurred," said Eddie Brown, a professor and director of American Indian Studies at Arizona State University.

Obama is the first president to visit Native American land since Bill Clinton in 1999; before him it was Franklin Roosevelt. Obama also visited the Crow Nation in Montana during his 2008 campaign.

## Investigators blast IRS over official's lost emails

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Congressional investigators are fuming over revelations that the Internal Revenue Service has lost a trove of emails to and from a central figure in the agency's tea party controversy.

The IRS said Lois Lerner's computer crashed in 2011, wiping out an untold number of emails that were being sought by congressional investigators. The investigators want to see all of Lerner's emails from 2009 to 2013 as part of their probe into the way agents handled applications for tax-exempt status by tea party and other conservative groups.

Lerner headed the IRS division that processes applications for tax-exempt status. The IRS acknowledged last year that agents had improperly scrutinized applications by some conservative groups.

"Do they really expect the American people to believe that, after having withheld these emails for a year, they're just now realizing the most critical time period is missing?" said Rep. Darrell Issa, R-Calif., chairman of the House Oversight Committee. "If there wasn't nefarious conduct that went much higher than Lois Lerner in the IRS targeting scandal, why are they playing these games?"

The Oversight Committee is one of three congressional committees investigating the IRS over its handling of tea party applications from 2010 to 2012. The Justice Department and the IRS inspector general are also investigating.

The IRS said technicians went to great lengths trying to recover data from Lerner's computer in 2011. In emails provided by the IRS, technicians said they sent the computer to a forensic lab run by the agency's criminal investigations unit. But to no avail.

# NATION

## Audit: Embassies at risk over guard screening

By DAVID LERMAN  
Bloomberg News

WASHINGTON — Security contractors have failed to fully screen local guards at U.S. embassies, putting Americans overseas at risk almost two years after the deadly attacks on the mission in Benghazi, Libya, an audit found.

A review by the State Department's inspector general of six contractors that provided local guards to boost embassy security found none fully performed all the vetting specified in their contracts. Names of the companies and the embassy locations were blacked out in the version being made public.

In one case, a guard was as-

signed to an embassy "for months before his criminal history and use of multiple false identities was discovered," according to the inspector general.

The report may add to the partisan debate over the Obama administration's handling of the Benghazi attacks that killed Ambassador Chris Stevens and three other Americans on Sept. 11, 2012.

Since then, Congress and the administration have sought to increase security at high-risk overseas posts, partly through the Local Guard program of the State Department's Bureau of Diplomatic Security. That program uses contractors to provide local guards.

"Inadequate oversight of the local guard vetting process places embassies and personnel at risk," the inspector general said.

In some cases, contractors couldn't comply with all requirements for screening guards because of local privacy laws or a lack of credit-reporting services and official records, the report found. The State Department failed to modify contracts to adjust for such impediments, it said.

Unless contractors conduct complete screenings and the State Department provides better oversight, "the local guard vetting process could fail, resulting in increased security risks to embassies and personnel," accord-

ing to the report.

It said there were at least 272 "significant attacks against U.S. diplomatic facilities and personnel between 1998 and 2012," including the Benghazi attacks.

In Benghazi, a guard who recently had been fired and another guard still on a contractor's payroll "were suspected of throwing a homemade bomb into the U.S. compound six months before the attacks," according to the report.

A "temporary mission facility" in Benghazi "had been vandalized and attacked in the months prior to the September 2012 attacks by some of the same guards who were there to protect it," the audit said, citing a report by the Senate intelligence committee.

The facility has been identified as a Central Intelligence Agency post.

Providing security at America's overseas embassies isn't solely a U.S. responsibility. The 1961 Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations established that the host country of an embassy or consulate "is under a special duty to take all appropriate steps to protect the premises of the mission against any intrusion or damage."

The U.S. bolsters local security with its own forces, through the State Department's Bureau of Diplomatic Security. U.S. Marines are stationed at some embassies, mostly to protect classified material.

## Federal judge puts hold on same-sex marriages in Wis.

By SCOTT BAUER  
The Associated Press

MADISON, Wis. — A federal judge on Friday put same-sex marriages in Wisconsin on hold a week after she struck down the state's same-sex marriage ban as unconstitutional, a move that allowed more than 500 couples to wed during the past eight days.

U.S. District Judge Barbara Crabb's ruling Friday means that gay marriages will end while the appeal from Republican Attorney General J.B. Van Hollen is pending. Couples who were in the middle of the five-day waiting period to get licenses, which most counties waived, are caught in limbo.

Gay rights activists have won 15 consecutive lower-court cases since a landmark Supreme Court ruling last summer, with Wisconsin being the latest. Wisconsin is among 13 states with gay marriage cases pending before appeals courts.

Van Hollen requested Crabb put her ruling on hold, arguing that allowing the marriages while the underlying case was pending created confusion about the legal-

ity of those marriages.

In her order, Crabb expressed mixed feelings.

"Same-sex couples have waited many years to receive equal treatment under the law, so it is understandable that they do not want to wait any longer," Crabb said in her order. "However, a federal district court is required to follow the guidance provided by the Supreme Court."

John Knight, attorney for the American Civil Liberties Union, which challenged the law, called Crabb's decision to put her order on hold disappointing.

"But we will fight for a quick resolution on appeal and are confident that marriage will be a reality in Wisconsin very soon for lesbian and gay couples who have waited much too long already," he said in an email.

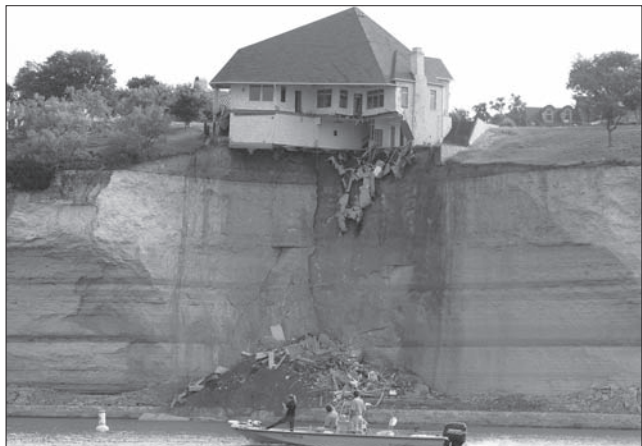
The ruling came exactly one week after Crabb declared the state's ban on gay marriage unconstitutional. But Crabb didn't issue any orders on how state officials were to implement her decision, and amid the uncertainty, nearly every Wisconsin county — 60 of 72 — issued licenses.

in the negotiations and to block a strike for up to 240 days.

Workers at the Southeast Pennsylvania Transportation Authority's regional rail system went on strike Saturday. The move shuts down 13 train lines that carry commuters to the suburbs and to Philadelphia International Airport.

The strike adds to commuting headaches in the region, where major construction projects are making it more difficult than usual to get around.

From The Associated Press



ROD AYOLOTTE, WACO (TEXAS) TRIBUNE HERALD/AP

Boaters look at a home Friday perched on a crumbling cliff overlooking Lake Whitney in Texas.

## Crews burn house teetering on Texas cliff

The Associated Press

WHITNEY, Texas — Charred debris from a luxury cliff-side home fell 75 feet into a lake below on Friday after a fire crews set the \$700,000 retreat ablaze rather than wait for it to crumble into the water as the land faltered around it.

It took less than an hour for the fire to level the home above Lake Whitney, about 60 miles south of Fort Worth. Flames consumed exterior walls after crews spread bales of hay and fuel to ignite flames throughout the expansive home.

The ground around the home cracked and became unstable in recent months. Then a few days ago, part of the land gave way beneath the 4,000-square-foot home, leaving pieces of the house dangling off the side of a cliff. Authorities condemned the home and the owners, Robert and De-



The home is engulfed in flames Friday after demolition crews set the structure alight.

nise Webb, consented to Friday's burn.

Authorities said destroying the

house was better than waiting for it to topple into Lake Whitney. The cost of removing mounds of debris from the lake could prove prohibitive.

Spectators in dozens of boats witnessed the demolition from a safe distance. Live television coverage shared the view of the spiraling black smoke coming from the gated resort community.

The Webbs purchased the home in 2012, but a few weeks ago were forced to remove their personal items and relocate. They expressed shock and sadness at losing their lake house.

The Webbs, who also have a home along Florida's Miami Beach, told WTSP-TV on Thursday that the deterioration of their property has been hard to watch.

"You know, that's my life there that we're watching fall off," Robert Webb said the day before the demolition.

## Pa. governor may seek US help in transit strike

PHILADELPHIA — Pennsylvania Gov. Tom Corbett is considering whether to ask President Barack Obama to intervene in a commuter rail strike affecting tens of thousands of people in the Philadelphia region.

Press secretary Jay Pagni said Saturday that Corbett is gathering information about his options.

One is to ask Obama to appoint an emergency board to intervene

# WORLD

## Drone kills 5 al-Qaida militants in Yemen

SANAA, Yemen — A suspected U.S. drone in Yemen's south targeted a car carrying al-Qaida militants Saturday, killing all five passengers, Yemeni security officials said.

The officials said the attack took place in a mountainous area in al-Saied in the southern Shabwa province. One of those killed in the attack was a suspected al-Qaida leader named Musaad al-Habashi, the officials said, speaking on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to speak to the press.

The U.S. considers Al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula to be the group's most dangerous branch in the world and has linked it to a number of botched or foiled attacks on the U.S. homeland.

## Police say guard killed Pakistan lawmaker

QUETTA, Pakistan — Police in Pakistan say a guard for a provincial Christian lawmaker has shot and killed the legislator during a meeting in the country's southwest.

Police officer Abdul Razaq Cheema said lawmaker Handery Masieh was meeting with supporters from the ruling National Party outside his home in the southwestern city of Quetta when the guard opened fire Saturday.

Cheema said it was not clear why the guard opened fire, and that the guard fled after the attack.

## Strong blast in Syrian town near Iraq kills 8

BEIRUT — A strong explosion struck a weapons market in an eastern Syrian town near the border with Iraq Saturday, killing at least eight people and wounding many others, state media and activists said.

Syrian state TV said the blast in the town of Mayadeen killed 30 people and wounded many others, while the Britain-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights said eight people were killed and many others wounded, including some who are in critical condition.

Mayadeen is about 37 miles from the Iraqi border in Syria's oil-rich eastern province of Deir al-Zour, which has seen heavy fighting among rival rebel factions as well as between government forces and opposition fighters.

## Israel official: 3 missing teens likely are alive

JERUSALEM — Israel's defense minister said Saturday that authorities believe the three teens who disappeared in the West Bank while reportedly hitchhiking are alive.

Israeli security forces have been searching the West Bank since the three, sons of a Jewish settler, including an American, went missing Thursday night, amid suspicions they were kidnapped by Palestinian militants. Two of the missing are 16, while the third is 19.

Defense Minister Moshe Yaalon said Saturday that the searches continue and that troops have made arrests.

From The Associated Press



PHOTOS BY EVGENIY MALOLETRA/AP

Pro-Russian fighters collect ammunition Saturday from the site of a downed Ukrainian army IL-76 aircraft at the airport near Luhansk, Ukraine.

# Ukraine prosecutor: 49 dead as rebels down plane

By DAVID MCHUGH  
The Associated Press

KIEV, Ukraine — Pro-Russian separatists shot down a military transport plane Saturday in the country's restive east, killing all 49 service personnel on board, Ukrainian officials said.

It was a bitter setback for Ukrainian forces, which have struggled to suppress an armed insurgency by foes of the new government. Nine crew and 40 troops were aboard the IL-76 when it went down early Saturday as it approached the airport at the city of Luhansk, the Ukrainian prosecutor general's office said in a statement.

That exceeded the loss of 12 soldiers, including a general, on May 29 when rebels shot down a troop helicopter near the eastern city of Sloviansk.

The incident underlines questions about rebel access to military gear. Ukraine has accused Russia of permitting three tanks to cross the border where they were used by rebels. Russia denies supplying the separatists.

NATO released images on Saturday, said to show recent Russian tank movements near the border which "raise significant questions" on Russia's role.

The tanks seen in Ukraine, NATO said, "do not bear markings or camouflage paint like those used by the Ukrainian military. In fact, they do not have markings at all, which is reminiscent of tactics used by Russian elements that were involved in destabilizing Crimea."

Denis Pushilin, a leader of the separatist Donetsk People's Republic, told Russian state television Friday that rebels had the



Pro-Russian fighters walk among the remnants of the downed Ukrainian military transport plane Saturday.

tanks but it was "improper to ask" where they got them.

The defense ministry's statement said that the rebels "cynically and treacherously" downed the transport plane using anti-aircraft guns and heavy machine guns. It expressed sympathy to the families of those killed "for their tragic and irreparable loss."

Alexei Toporov, defense spokesman for the self-proclaimed Luhansk People's Republic, said the aircraft was shot down under what he termed Ukrainian "occupiers" refused an ultimatum to abandon the Luhansk airport.

Luhansk is in Ukraine's east near the border with Russia, an area that has seen separatists seize government buildings and declare independence after holding disputed referendums.

Ukraine had claimed a success on Friday when troops retook some rebel-occupied buildings in the port city of Mariupol. No

deaths were reported.

Before Saturday's incident, the Ukrainian health ministry had said at least 270 people had died in clashes between government forces and armed separatists.

Tensions between Ukraine and Russia escalated in February after pro-Russian President Viktor Yanukovich was driven from office by a massive protest movement made up of people who want closer ties with the European Union.

Another official, counterterrorism spokesman Vladislav Selenzov, was quoted by the Interfax news agency as saying the death toll was preliminary and was being verified by investigators.

The Russian-built IL-76 is a four-engine jet that can be used to transport heavy gear and people.

The prosecutor's office said a criminal investigation had been opened under anti-terrorism laws.

## Actress Jolie decries wartime sex attacks

By ANNE KEARAN  
AND KARLA ADAM  
The Washington Post

LONDON — The age-old link between warfare and rape can be broken, and perpetrators cannot assume that they will get away with it, actress Angelina Jolie and top diplomats said Friday as they endorsed international efforts to increase the investigation and prosecution of a crime that has historically gone unpunished.

"We refuse to believe that this is too big to defeat," Secretary of State John Kerry said, "that this is somehow too deeply ingrained in human nature or society not to care about it."

He closed a four-day conference headlined by the Hollywood actress that examined all aspects of sexual violence in wartime, including the widespread expectation that victims will not report the assault. "We are convinced that we can make a difference and that there is no place in the civilized world for sexual violence as a tool of war," Kerry said.

Several hundred diplomats, activists, lawyers, judges and victims met at the invitation of British Foreign Secretary William Hague, who has made ending sexual violence in conflict his signature cause. Individual nations pledged millions of dollars for initiatives, including outreach to improve reporting and documentation of the crime and special courts for prosecution.

"Young lives are being ruined by sexual violence in Syria, South Sudan and Central African Republic, as we gather here, as we speak," Jolie said. "For people in those countries, the actions we have promised cannot come soon enough. For them, shattering impunity must begin now."

Earlier in the week, Hague and Jolie launched an "international protocol," a set of guidelines on collecting evidence and investigating sexual crimes. The 140-page manual includes specific proposals — for, instance, how to store forensic evidence, the aftermath of a rape and what types of questions to ask in an interview.

"I am convinced that the greatest strategic prize for our century is the full social, political and economic empowerment of women everywhere, and this subject is part of that," Hague said.

The stories that participants heard were horrifying. Esther Ruth Atim said she was abducted at age 9 by the notorious Lord's Resistance Army in Uganda. Her abductors killed a man in front of her with a machete, threatening to do the same to her if she tried to escape, she said. She did, three years later, but not before being repeatedly raped, often on a daily basis.

"I was raped whereby I couldn't even move with my legs," said Atim, now 20, who wants to see her former captors brought to justice.



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## OPINION

## Dad was no record-holder, but even better

By REG HENRY  
*Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*

Last Sunday, the world's oldest man died. He was Alexander Imich, a Polish-born psychic researcher, and he lived at a senior residence in Manhattan, according to The New York Times. Somewhere there's a new world's oldest man, as if that guy didn't already have enough to worry about.

What was amazing to me was the age of the late world's oldest man — just 111. He was a pup really in geriatric terms, a junior Methuselah. (Women live much longer, perhaps determined to get in the last word with the men they know.)

A further shock rumbling from this news item was the realization that my old dad would now be 112 if he were still alive. Now, you may ask, what is the relevance of this?

Today is Father's Day. Let us talk about the happy part of it.

My dad died in 1998 at age 96, pretty much alert until the last and with few regrets about not breaking a longevity record. He warned me that it wasn't much fun to live into old age.

"These younger women have very little to talk about," he said of the ladies in his nursing home. "They know nothing about football." He was talking about women then in their 80s.

Dad might have lived longer if he had some restful occupation such as psychic researcher. Instead, he was a journalist, a

profession in which you can have an afro in the morning and be bald by the afternoon because of the stress. And that's just the women!

I would have followed Dad into grave digging, such was his influence upon me. It would have been nice resting on a shovel on a nice summer's day instead of forever shoveling worms into sentences, column after column. The worst is when the readers throw back the dirt.

But Dad was a journalist, and of course I always aspired to be one. Dad didn't hold an executive position at the local newspaper, but on the strength of his reputation I got hired there, too, in due course.

While nepotism is not a good hiring practice, and is to be deplored loudly and often, I must admit it worked well for me, although success seemed doubtful at first. It took a good deal of perspiration before my simple aspiration turned into a viable career. In fact, I think I lost my hair before lunch on the first day.

That's another thing. The former world's oldest man had no children — he could grow old without worrying about a feckless son like my father had to do. (For the record, my older brother, Jim, was adequately supplied with ficks and did well from the beginning in various fields such as film and graphic arts.)

Being a dad is not for the faint-hearted. A real dad is not made by a fleeting act of procreation; he must embrace a lifelong contract of responsibility and concern for the well-being of his children. Dad fulfilled

his responsibility over and over, until he was 96.

I was a feeble athlete, but he encouraged me. I was a poor student, but he urged me on. I wasn't a patch on a journalist's pants, but he told me to take my hands out of my pockets and look businesslike. He made the difference. My mother also played a big part in my revival, but that is another column for another day.

Between the two of them, their legacy to me was not paid in money — we didn't have much of that. My gift was happiness, with a sense of humor thrown in to make it happier.

Dad in particular loved life. He liked to tell stories and revelled in the company of family and friends. He wasn't the oldest man in the world, but he told the oldest jokes. The sense of humor he bequeathed me has proved helpful, especially when the readers throw back the dirt from my journalistic excavations.

One day people will say that say 111 is the new 96, but I hope if I reach that milestone, I will have the same loving feelings for my kids and their kids as my father always had for my brother and me and our kids.

What my father taught me is that the greatest occupation in life, if you are so blessed, is to be a dad, and the greatest title to seek is world's kindest dad. Because it is not how long you live your life but how well you live it.

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## To curb inequality, narrow bottom-to-middle gap

By MEGAN MCARDLE  
*Bloomberg News*

When we talk inequality in this country, we tend to focus on "the 1 percent" — the very-high-income earners who are pulling away from the merely extremely well-off. But a growing body of evidence suggests that the distance between the middle and the bottom may be equally important. Possibly, it's even more important.

Last year, Harvard economist Raj Chetty published some very important work on income mobility across the United States. One thing he found is that higher inequality translates into lower chances of mobility. But as Scott Winship pointed out, the distance that mattered wasn't the distance between the bottom and the 1 percent; it was the distance between the bottom and the middle class.

Recent research by Melissa S. Kearney of the University of Maryland and Philip B. Levine of Wellesley College provide what might be the missing link: Inequality may perpetuate itself down the generations by messing up the decisions of underprivileged young people.

In a research paper to be published this week by the National Bureau of Economic Research, Kearney and Levine detail robust evidence that young men of low socioeconomic status are more likely to drop out of high school, where the gap between families at the bottom tier of the income distribution and families in the middle is wider.

They challenge their results in many ways, but find nothing that could explain

away inequality's effect. The dropout gap is not because of differences in school spending or differences in incarceration rates. Measures of segregation by income or race don't account for the difference. Nor, interestingly, does the spectacular acceleration of inequality between the richest and the rest.

Their finding echoes an earlier study, in which they found that teenage girls of low socioeconomic status are more likely to become single mothers when they live in places where the income gap between the bottom and the middle is bigger.

This makes a certain amount of intuitive sense. People at the bottom of the income distribution are more likely to be struggling with some major difficulty: they are immigrants, they are uneducated, they have psychological, substance abuse or impulse control problems. Their kids are more likely to have a shot at getting into the middle class if they have readily available role models who can show them what is possible, explain what it takes, and maybe provide a little helping hand in navigating the educational system and the business world.

If the distance between the bottom and the top is too great, this may not happen. As we now see in the gentrifying precincts of a dozen major cities, you end up with two communities living cheek by jowl while barely speaking to each other, instead of one community that forms a ladder of opportunity for young strivers. The people who feel trapped at the bottom feel there's no incentive to do the things that might boost their odds of getting out: delaying

parenthood until marriage and reaching financial stability; getting more education; maintaining steady employment histories. The results are kids raised in unstable families who have even less shot of getting out.

A growing body of convincing research bolsters this story. Unfortunately, that research fails to provide one thing: a solution.

If you think that the wealth of the 1 percent is the major problem facing America, a plausible solution presents itself: Tax away their money and give it to other people. But if you think that the gap between the bottom and the upper middle class is the main problem, a feasible fix is harder to propose. Especially since most of the people who would be proposing and implementing such fixes are themselves members of the affluent-but-not-spectacularly-wealthy group whose self-segregation is at the heart of the problem.

It's not that I can't name things that would help. Most obviously, it would be good if people in gentrified neighborhoods tried harder to build a single unified community, shopping at the same stores and attending the same churches, instead of fighting over who gets to have the amenities they want.

But that's a personal choice, not a policy prescription. The personal may be political — but that doesn't mean that the government can make us better members of our community. And better communities seems to be what we need.

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## OPINION

## Without training, armed can be dangerous

BY KATHLEEN PARKER

WASHINGTON

So much for the argument that having more people armed in public places will result in fewer gun deaths.

One of the three killed recently by a Las Vegas couple, Jerad and Amanda Miller, was an armed civilian, Joseph Wilcox. Two police officers who were also killed, Igor Soldo and Alyn Beck, were ambushed while having lunch. Seated in a booth, they had no chance to defend themselves, according to witnesses.

Wilcox, 31, was inside the Wal-Mart when the Millers entered firing and ordering everyone to evacuate. Wilcox, who carried a gun, decided to confront the shooter, apparently unaware that Amanda was with Jerad. After he walked past her on his approach toward Jerad, Amanda fatally shot him.

During an ensuing gunfight with police, Amanda turned her gun on her husband and then herself. Whether they might have killed others had Wilcox not stepped forward — a decidedly brave if ill-advised maneuver — we can't know. What we do know is that a civilian, perhaps emboldened to heroism because he had a gun, is dead.

Even as we honor Wilcox appropriately, his death should give pause to any who insist that having more armed citizens is the best defense against a would-be killer. Even if one person were to stop a killer in his tracks, it is not logical to extrapolate the occasional success story as proof of the argument.

It may also be unfair to extrapolate that one failure means that having guns in civilian pockets can't ever be helpful. Having an experienced, well-trained person armed with a gun in the right place at the right time might well thwart a slaughter, though arguably, not everyone with a

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permit to carry meets those qualifications. Recall that the would-be hero in Tucson, Ariz. — when Rep. Gabby Giffords and others were shot — was an armed young man who almost shot the wrong person.

Joe Zamudio unlocked the safety on the gun in his pocket, rounded the corner prepared to shoot, when he saw a man holding a gun. Thinking he was the shooter, Zamudio was seconds from shooting when he decided to slam the man into a wall rather than draw his gun, in part because he feared being mistaken as the shooter himself. It turns out that the man was holding the gun he had just wrested from the killer.

"I was very lucky," said Zamudio of his split-second decision. As for his training? He grew up around his father's guns.

To be effective with a gun in a crisis situation requires not just instinct but training. Police officers and military forces go through extensive instruction for good reason. It isn't enough to knock a few beer cans off a fencepost or to accurately line up a deer in a rifle sight. Though Zamudio made the right call, he came close to being a cold-blooded killer himself.

The fact is, permission to carry also grants implicit permission to use the gun as one deems necessary. Essentially, we've deputized thousands of private citizens without training them. Taking a shooting



class at the local firing range may improve your reflexes and aim, but it doesn't prepare you for the adrenaline-fueled intensity of real-time, close-range combat, which is what the Wal-Mart encounter and Tucson events essentially were.

In both instances, moreover, the perpetrators were deranged and/or delusional. The Millers were so over-the-top anti-government that they were tossed off the ranch of Cliven Bundy, the cattle rancher who staged an armed stand-off with government agents. There's anti-government — and then there's crazy.

What does the average gun owner know about the minds of domestic terrorists? The Millers were fighting for freedom, they said. Would this include the freedom that allowed them to own guns in the first place?

But no. Freedom is for sound minds and



adult dispositions. We can't weed out all the rebels looking for a cause. Nor do we delude ourselves that any but law-abiding citizens will play by the rules or that criminals will come around to lawfulness.

But we can try not to become weirder — and more dangerous — ourselves.

The sensible case isn't that we need to ban guns, as some reflexively would argue. It is that we require reasonable scrutiny of those who wish to own guns, especially to conceal-carry, and require serious training of those who possess them. Even this may be viewed by some as stepping on our Second Amendment rights, but this is an argument we should have a satisfactory resolution.

What say we hold our fire and give sanity a shot?

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## Eric Cantor, not tough enough for the grassroots

BY DANIEL J. PALAZZOLO

On Sept. 4, 2013, about 100 tea party activists gathered outside of Congressman Eric Cantor's district office in Henrico County, Va., to protest Obamacare. The sign-wielding demonstrators demanded that the House Republican majority leader use his power to defend the new health care law, even if it meant shutting down the government. Among other things, the rowdy bunch fumed about the one-year delay of the corporate mandate; if Obamacare was not good enough for Congress and big business, why should the rest of us have to live with it?

Cantor's representative explained that the congressman was fighting to delay the individual mandate and provide relief to "middle-class families." Yet shutting down the government would not stop government spending for health care, rather it would jeopardize support for our troops. Needless to say, such reasoning did little to placate the crowd. A ripple of protest ultimately would build to a wave of discontent.

Two months later, Republican and tea party favorite Ken Cuccinelli would lose a governor's race to Democrat Terry McAuliffe, but by a much narrower margin than anyone predicted. The result did more to inspire anger to deflate the rabidness of wing of the GOP whose leaders blamed the "establishment" for underestimating

and abandoning Cuccinelli. McAuliffe outspent Cuccinelli by more than 2 to 1, and the Republican National Committee contributed just one-third of what it had given to Bob McDonnell, the GOP candidate in 2009. The grassroots movement was alive, angry and evidently growing.

Meanwhile, in adjoining Hanover County, the most conservative part of the 7th District, a little-known professor at Randolph-Macon College, economist Dave Brat, had yet another reason to take on the majority leader. What good was it for the people of the 7th District to be represented by one of the most powerful people in Washington if he would not stand up for his own constituents? And, wasn't Cantor part of the same establishment that ignored Cuccinelli? This message, which echoed through local talk radio and propped up an "Anybody but Cantor" movement, formed the basis of Brat's campaign.

Though Cantor recognized the restlessness within the GOP base, the possibility of being defeated in a primary election seemed highly unlikely. Party leaders are bound to take some flak from time to time and any real electoral challenge could be dealt with later. After all, seven terms in Congress and \$4 million in the bank should be enough to ride out even a hearty challenger. House incumbents don't lose primary elections.

Moreover, the majority leader had big-term designs. After the 2012 election, Cantor

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was among other Republican Party leaders who sought to rebrand the GOP. The strategy was to advance a more inclusive, problem-solving form of conservatism. The idea was not to abandon ideology, but to make conservatism work for families and perhaps for independent-minded voters who were turned off by the more strident politics of the tea party. The approach involved some modest changes on policy issues, softer language and more reasonable governing tactics. In other words, Cantor was doing what legislative leaders are supposed to do; find ways to govern.

What began as a way of turning good policy into good politics — either by endorsing alternative plans for health care, negotiating budget agreements with the president, or seeking modest changes in immigration law — became a tricky balancing act.

As primary day approached, Brat traversed the 7th District declaring to voters that they had lost their representative. Cantor was too busy doing the bidding for Wall

Street banks and large corporations, which sought cheap labor by granting amnesty to illegal immigrants, to understand the needs and interest of his own constituents. Pressing the flesh in his button-down shirt, no tie, and blazer, Brat looked more like the voters than Cantor, who appeared all too frequently on national news networks in his finely tailored two-piece suits.

By May 2014, Cantor faced an organized revolt at the 7th District Convention that forced a change of party leadership. A barrage of campaign advertising, including allegations that Brat was a liberal college professor, turned out to be too much, too little, too late.

Irony and nuances abound in this story. Cantor is among the most conservative members of Congress, a nemesis to President Barack Obama, a supporter among the party leadership of the tea party freshmen who triumphed in the 2010 elections, and an enemy of immigration reformers. Meanwhile, Brat rode a tea party movement that he is not clearly aligned with. While Brat ran best in more rural and culturally conservative parts of the district, he also won a majority in suburban precincts surrounding Cantor's district office. Perhaps what Brat offered to the 36,120 voters who supported him was a conservative alternative to a leader who sought to govern an increasingly unpopular institution.

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# AMERICAN ROUNDUP

## Car crashes into lobby of news network

**GA** ATLANTA — Police are investigating after a car crashed into a lobby at CNN Center, the news network's headquarters in downtown Atlanta.

Authorities said the Mercedes Benz shattered the glass entryway on the building's north side around 4 a.m. Friday. It came to rest in the middle of the lobby, several yards away from any of CNN's offices.

Atlanta police officer John Chafee said the driver was taken into custody. He said there were no reported injuries.

By 7 a.m., workers were sweeping glass shards from the floor. The lobby was open, but yellow tape blocked off the section where the car went through. A section of glass of around 10 feet high and about 15 feet long was completely gone.

## Rhino calf born after artificial insemination

**OH** CINCINNATI — The Cincinnati Zoo said a female Indian rhino calf born recently in New York was produced by artificial insemination using sperm from a now-dead Cincinnati rhino.

Zoo officials call the calf born June 5 at the Buffalo Zoo a victory for endangered species.

The father was named Jimmy and died at the Cincinnati Zoo in 2004. His sperm was frozen, stored and later taken to Buffalo.

The calf's 17-year-old mother is named Tashi. She previously conceived and successfully gave birth through natural breeding in 2004 and 2008. But her mate died, and Buffalo's new male Indian rhino hasn't reached sexual maturity.

Buffalo officials said the calf weighed 144 pounds at birth.

## Computers, not people, read weather reports

**AK** ANCHORAGE — Two outpost offices of the National Weather Service in Alaska are finally ending what has been a bygone practice for most of the nation for almost two decades — using real human voices in radio forecast broadcasts.

The Nome and Kodiak offices are switching to computerized voices that nationally go by the names of Tom, Donna and, in some parts of the country, Spanish-speaking Javier. It's an idea first hatched in the mid-1990s as part of a move to modernize the weather service, an agency of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Local weather forecasts are a big deal to many people in Alaska because more than in some other parts of the United States, the forecasts can be a matter of life and death.

## Father accused of chaining son to bed

**UT** LOGAN — A Utah father charged with child abuse after police found his 6-year-old son chained to a bed

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The number of Juneau, Alaska, customers who lost power when a bald eagle dropped trash from a city landfill onto a power line. The fallen eagle fodder caused a loud bang and knocked out power to Alaska Electric Light and Power Co. customers. The company recorded six avian deaths last year.



GREG FENTON, COURTESY OF THE U.S. NAVY/AP

## Raising the selfie bar

Capt. Greg Fenton, center, commanding officer of the aircraft carrier USS George Washington, takes a selfie with Capt. Carlos Sardiello, right, George Washington's executive officer, and also with Shaun Brahmsteadt, the command master chief, and 275 newly frocked petty officers after a command promotion ceremony in the ship's hangar bay.

while the man was at work is set to make his first court initial appearance Thursday.

The 29-year-old man is charged with four counts of child abuse. The Associated Press is not naming the man to avoid identifying the child.

Logan City Police Chief Gary Jensen said investigators believe the boy's father chained him to the bed post for 10 straight days when he left for work, unchaining him when he got home.

The boy is with welfare services and is being evaluated. The agency is looking for the boy's biological mother to see if she is fit to care for the boy.

## Red light cameras ruled illegal before 2010

**FL** TALLAHASSEE — Florida cities that installed red light cameras before the state authorized them could have to return millions of

dollars in fines now that the Supreme Court has ruled they were illegal.

The court ruled Thursday that red light camera ordinances in Aventura and Orlando violated a state law that requires uniform traffic enforcement.

The decision applies only to cities that installed red light cameras before a 2010 law allowing them was enacted.

## Man says surgeons removed wrong kidney

**TX** FORT WORTH — A North Texas man is seeking more than \$1 million in damages after he says surgeons mistakenly removed his healthy kidney instead of his cancerous one.

Glenn Hermes, 55, of Arlington, told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram that a pathology report was misread, causing the error. A portion of his remaining kidney

has been removed because of the cancer, further limiting his kidney function.

Hermes filed a lawsuit last week against his urologist and a radiologist for malpractice and gross negligence.

## Bear in city to get escort back to woods

**OR** PORTLAND — Oregon wildlife biologists say a bear that appeared to wander into a Portland neighborhood will sleep off a dose of tranquilizers and then get an escort back to the woods.

The 125-pound, 2-year-old male bear caused a stir early Wednesday as police tracked it through several yards and climbed a tree. A wildlife officer shot it with a tranquilizer dart.

Unable to get to it with a truck, firefighters climbed the tree, gave the reviving bear another hit of tranquilizer, hobbled it and

then lowered it to the ground with ropes, said Rick Swart, a spokesman for the state Fish and Wildlife Department.

## Son plans to withdraw from newspaper sale

**PA** PHILADELPHIA — The son of a Philadelphia Inquirer investor won't go forward with plans to buy his parent company this week, citing "the turmoil" of his father's recent plane crash death.

Drew Katz confirmed late Tuesday he plans to withdraw from the \$88 million sale, which was set to close Wednesday. That leaves city philanthropist H.F. "Gerry" Lenfest the sole buyer.

The surprise announcement came after Katz's father, Lewis Katz, and six other people died May 31 when his private plane crashed near Boston.

From wire reports



## LIFESTYLE



# What the heck are you riding?

## Velomobile turns heads in Baltimore

By JULIE SCHARPER  
The Baltimore Sun

**G**reg Cantori has been stopped by police five times in recent months.

The officers have all asked him the same question: What the heck are you riding?

Each morning, Cantori steps into a vehicle resembling a yellow submarine and pedals the 24 miles from his home to his office.

Called a velomobile, it's one part tricycle, one part Wienermobile and entirely pedal-powered. It's also incredibly fast because of an aerodynamic shape — one officer who pulled over Cantori at the base of a hill clocked him at 50 miles per hour.

Cantori, the president and CEO of Maryland Nonprofits, enjoys commuting by velomobile for the same reasons he rode his bike to work for decades. He feels the heat of the downtown streets, smells the green freshness of the woods. He waves at crossing guards he has passed each day for years.

"There's a sense of freedom you don't have in other modes of transportation," he says. "There's a happiness effect."

All those hours on the bike keep Cantori in top form. At 54, his resting heart rate is that of an athletic man less than half his age.

"I call it my workout to work," he says. "I hate driving to work, not only because of the traffic, but because I didn't get my workout in. When I ride the bike, I get both."

Although Cantori has owned the velomobile since October, he has been biking to work for three decades. Over the years, he has seen an exponential increase of people commuting by bike.

"Now I'm seeing dozens and dozens," of commuting cyclists each day,

Cantori says. "We give each other little waves. We know we're doing something a little unique, but something that is right for us, for the environment, and frankly, for our pocketbooks."

He gets some strange looks when he rides in the velomobile, which, according to a database of owners, is one of only 250 in the United States. Motorists often lean out of their cars to snap pictures as he pedals by.

He begins his daily 25-mile ride to work around 6 a.m. The journey from his home usually takes 45 minutes to an hour, depending on the weather, traffic and how Cantori is feeling. He usually keeps the cover open, convertible-style, unless it's raining hard.

He has been traveling by bicycle nearly his entire life. He pedaled from his Southwest Baltimore home to classes at University of Maryland, Baltimore County in the 1980s, back when most bike riders were kids. He kept it up when he started working.

Cantori touts the environmental and economic benefits of bike riding. Those who eschew cars not only avoid pumping exhaust into the air, but also save on gas, insurance and car maintenance. So while it might take longer to travel a mile by bike than by car, it also takes you much longer to earn the money to pay for that car.

"If you look at the amount of time you have to work to earn that car, it takes a lot less time to travel by bike," he said. In the velomobile, Cantori has no problem keeping up with traffic. He regularly travels about 30 miles per hour, and can reach much higher speeds coasting down a hill.

Since it is pedal-powered, the velomobile does not require a license plate or registration, a fact that Cantori has explained to several curious police officers. He finally took it over to the po-



PHOTOS BY CHRISTOPHER T. ASSAF/The Baltimore Sun

**Greg Cantori, of Pasadena, Md., uses his velomobile to commute around Baltimore. The pedal-powered vehicle can reach speeds of more than 30 mph.**

lice station closest to his home to show it to a shift commander in an effort to prevent future traffic stops.

Cantori purchased the velomobile after growing concerned about slippery bridges. With three wheels, the velomobile is sturdier than a regular bike. It's also easier on the joints, because riders recline.

Velomobiles cost between \$5,000 and \$10,000, depending on the model. Cantori ordered his from a Canadian dealer who imports them from a manufacturer in the Netherlands. The vehicles are custom made, and it took about six months for Cantori's to arrive.

Cantori's model is about 8 feet long and 3 feet tall. It has a retractable roof and enough storage space to hold four bags of groceries. He can make Bluetooth calls from it or listen to the radio from speakers mounted on the outside.

"I feel more safe in this than I have in 25 years of biking," Cantori says. Because the velomobile is so aerodynamic, he can keep up with traffic without overexerting himself. And the vehicle's shell offers an additional level of protection.

Cantori hopes to persuade others to ditch their cars for bicycles, whether velomobiles or old-fashioned Schwinn.

He would like the government to reward businesses for installing showers to help cycling commuters freshen up.

Cantori hopes that his actions — and those of other cyclists and supporters — are a step toward a future in which bikes are the preferred mode of transportation.

"Wouldn't it be nice," he says, "if one day there was a 'Ride Your Car to Work Day'?"

## LIFESTYLE

# The droids they're looking for

## 'Star Wars' fans build incredibly 'screen accurate' robots

By JAMES A. FUSSELL  
The Kansas City Star

**M**ost people just have cars, bikes and lawn mowers in their garage. George Westwater has a droid.

As in R2-D2. As in "Star Wars." As in ... "Whoa! Where'd you get that thing?"

With "Star Wars: Episode VII" now shooting, every tidbit of news about the iconic franchise flies across social media and the Internet at light speed.

Fan-built droids are part of the frenzy. Costing more than \$16,000, the Lenexa, Kan., man's R2 is no dime-store copy. Though you could believe he got it at a George Lucas estate sale, he actually built it by hand with his sons, 7-year-old Alex and 5-year-old Zach.

Turns out that "Star Wars" fans around the globe are doing the same thing. Westwater belongs to Astronetch.net, an international droid builders club with 14,000 members.

"I have personally talked to people in Argentina, Brazil, New Zealand, Australia, France, England and Italy," Westwater said.

The fans' droids are so good that "Star Wars" producer Kathleen Kennedy hired a couple of British club members to make the R2-D2 and other "astronetch" droids for the new movie.

"It's a dream come true," Oliver Steeples of Berkshire, England, one of the club members now working on the movie, told LucasFilm.com.

To make the plans for building "screen-accurate" droids, club members got measurements from the movies, then got help from "Star Wars" creator George Lucas, who made available parts from the films' archives.

The resulting droids are more than just nerd nirvana. They're little robotic ambassadors doing good in the world. Their owners take them to charitable events and children's hospitals, where they bring smiles from kids of all ages and special bonds with special-needs children.

Westwater's droid is technically an R2-A7, sporting slightly different colors (green, silver and white) than the original R2-D2 (blue, silver and white). But in virtually every other way it is so accurate you'd almost expect Luke Skywalker and C-3PO to come strolling through the room.

Westwater's droid breathes and boops. Its brushed metal dome spins, and its multicolored LED lights flash with computerized precision. Complete with a motor and a remote, it can move around a room and play sound clips from the movie, including the theme song.

It is made from aluminum, which increases the cost. But other droids can be made (mostly of wood) for as little as \$1,500, he said.

For Westwater, a 36-year-old software engineer who started a local chapter of Astronetch two years ago, making droids and other robots with his boys is a labor of love.

The most fun part?



JILL TOYOSHIBA/Kansas City Star

After watching "Star Wars" with sons Alex, left, and Zach, George Westwater of Lenexa, Kan., decided to build an R2-type droid with them. The robot can move around the room and play film sound clips.

"Spraying the paint on it!" said Zach.

"Driving it!" said Alex.

"We decided the kids were just about old enough to be able to watch the 'Star Wars' movies," Westwater said. "And they were getting to the age where I was looking for a project to do with them — hopefully around electronics or software. So we decided to build an R2. I started looking for some reference photos, then stumbled across the group."

After getting plans from Astronetch, he joined with other droid builders around the world to get laser-cut parts made at a bulk discount. Then he started building.

"It may seem daunting, but we have builders as young as 10 building on their own," he said. "Everything can be done by anybody of any skill level. Quite literally, the Gelaser-cut parts are like a 3-D puzzle. You just glue and screw."

But what about the circuit boards and software? Not just

**The droid built by George Westwater and his sons sports slightly different colors than the original R2-D2. But in virtually every other way it is so accurate you'd almost expect Luke Skywalker and C-3PO to come strolling through the room.**

anybody can do that.

"For a lot of the parts inside, we try to stick to as many off-the-shelf parts as possible," he said. "And there are walk-throughs on how to make them work. And just about anywhere anybody is living, there's somebody nearby who is probably building a droid who can help."

Westwater has taken his droid to "Star Wars" events, comic-cons and his boys' schools. He likes his aluminum R2 so much that he's building another from plastic and fiberglass.

A home office in his basement serves as robot central. The room is full of electronics and components and is decorated with countless photos and action figures. There's C-3PO, Darth Vader, Darth Maul ...

"And this is a Dalek," he said, pointing to a chunky figure of the robotic nemesis of Mr. Who on the British show of the same name.

His next large project will be to make a Dalek big enough to ride in. And he will keep taking his R2 droid to charitable events. He often partners with a local group,

called the 501st, that makes replica costumes of "Star Wars" characters.

"One of the things we will start doing next year when our droid gets a little bit more polished is, we will start doing some of the events with the 501st group with the Make-A-Wish Foundation," he said. "They will get 50 or 60 guys dressed up like storm troopers or Darth Vader, and they will ask for an R2 to come out to those events so the kids can see them as well."

Through his droid, Westwater can make new friends across the world, make a child smile and pass on the magic of science and technology to a new generation. He loves attending sci-fi and technology conferences.

"My favorite part ... is that special-needs children are so drawn to it," he said. "We end up spending 20 to 30 percent of a two- or three-day conference with families of special-needs kids. ... That never gets old to me."



## LIFESTYLE

# Diaper need among poor

## Demand exceeds donations for parents in impoverished areas

By NANCY CAMBRIA  
St. Louis Post-Dispatch

**T**hey are such a hot commodity, pharmacies and stores sometimes keep them behind glass.

They are the first line of defense against infection and disease — and are even linked to preventing depression and violence.

Desperate people will sometimes steal to get them.

No, this is not a story about illicit pills or drug abuse. It's about disposable diapers, an item the poor need desperately.

Researchers are starting to realize "diaper need" not only causes obvious health problems for children, but leads to depression in moms and poor social and developmental outcomes for the child — even child abuse.

It is estimated that disposable diapers can cost up to \$100 a month for one baby. On average, a newborn goes through eight to 10 diapers a day, said Melinda Ohlemiller, CEO of Nurses for Newborns.

Nurses with the organization see the diaper need firsthand with their clients but can offer minimal help.

To provide diapers for their mostly poor clients, Ohlemiller said, the organization would need 8,000 to 10,000 diapers a day. But the agency can supply only about 12 diapers to established clients on an emergency basis.

One of its clients, Catalina Martinez of Overland, Mo., said she was unable to work after having her second child. It's been difficult to afford diapers for a newborn and a toddler on her boyfriend's salary, and she's had to keep a diaper on her child longer than she should. "I even have tried to get my oldest one to potty train. But she wouldn't train yet," she said.

Last summer, a study in the medical journal Pediatrics identified "diaper need" among the poor as a growing health and psychological risk for babies and their mothers.

The study determined that as many as 30 percent of poor parents in New Haven, Conn., struggled to afford diapers for their infants. It further linked diaper need as a factor causing maternal depression, which can also lead to poor outcomes for children.

"There's just a great need ... and no one is calling attention to this," said DiAnne Mueller, CEO of Crisis Nursery, a St. Louis, Mo.-area child abuse prevention agency.

Crisis Nursery workers sometimes go door-to-door in poor neighborhoods asking people what they need. The answer is almost always the same: diapers and formula.

Although formula purchases can be federally subsidized, diapers are not covered by food stamps through the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program or the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children, known as WIC.

As a result, some food pantries are inundated with requests for disposable diapers. But the pantries don't get steady donations of them and don't always have them on the shelves. When they do, they fly out of the door, said Marcia Mermelstein, coordinator of the Harvey Kornblum Jewish Food Pantry in St. Louis.

"We're giving people four to six diapers when in reality when most people buy a box of diapers, they're getting 24 or 48. It's like giving one tiny bar of soap a month. It's not enough, it's a token gesture," Mermelstein said.

Families will take what they can get, she said.

"They're taking diapers that are clearly too small and taping them together and using what-ever they can."

Although charitable agencies see the diaper need, they can't make collecting and distributing diapers their first priority because it takes away energy and donations from their main services.

"Yes, we need diapers," Mermelstein said. "But in the great scheme of things, we are a food pantry and the highest priority is to get food for survival."

Some cities and regions have developed thriving diaper banks that collect and promote donated diapers and act as a clearinghouse to agencies like food pantries and community outreach centers.

According to the National Diaper Bank Network in Connecticut, about 100 established diaper banks operate nationwide. Happy Bottoms in Kansas City, Mo., for example, has distributed more than 1.5 million diapers to agencies that work with the poor. But St. Louis is only in the beginning stages of developing such a resource.

Jessica Adams, a social worker, said she has filed the 501c paperwork for the St. Louis Area Diaper Bank and hopes to begin taking donations and making partnerships with agencies soon.



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Melinda Ohlemiller  
CEO, Nurses for Newborns



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**KeYanna Roddy, of St. Louis, Mo., relies on donated diapers from a help agency as well as family and friends for her son, Byron. Because of medications from his open-heart surgery, Byron can go through 15 diapers a day, putting a strain on Roddy's small budget.**

they should because they don't have enough.

"Diapers are mandatory. They're not optional," said Ohlemiller. "And yet families are making really hard decisions: Are we going to buy diapers or formula, or are we going to buy food? That stress is putting a lot of hardships on families."

Obtaining diapers can be more expensive for the poor because most don't have enough cash on hand to buy diapers in bulk at a cheaper cost per diaper. So they resort to buying smaller packages at higher prices. If a family lacks a working car, they often buy diapers at the local convenience store, where the price skyrockets.

Ohlemiller said cheaper cloth diapers are typically not an option for the poor who often lack washing washers and dryers. Coin laundries often ban diapers in their machines for sanitary reasons.

Child care centers are an-

other obstacle. Day cares often ban cloth diapers for sanitary and logistical reasons. Mothers using day cares are often in a double bind: They can't use cloth diapers, and if they run out of disposable diapers, they can't send their child to day care. Without day care, moms can't work.

Ohlemiller said families sometimes force toilet training on children who are not developmentally ready and fail, adding further stress in the household.

And the long-term issues of diaper needs are more chilling, said Mueller. Babies and toddlers with sore bottoms are cranky, so they cry more and bond less.

"What we see is a higher rate of child abuse," said Mueller. "The child is unable to be consoled, and the parent already has such limited resources both financially and emotionally. If the baby keeps crying and crying, it really gets to most anyone, so the risk of injury to the child is certainly much higher."



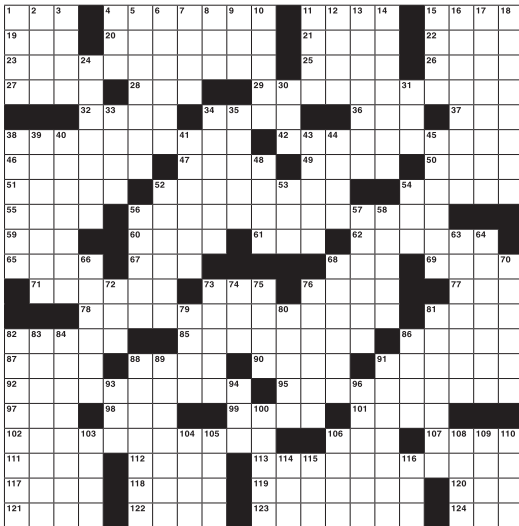
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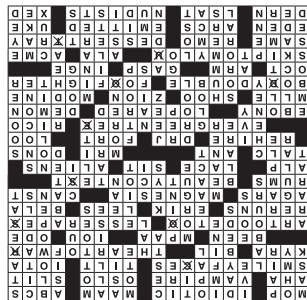
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## GADGETS &amp; CHARTS

## E3 announcements heavy on game titles

The Associated Press

A few notes from this week's Electronic Entertainment Expo, the video game industry's annual trade show in Los Angeles:

## Nintendo

Nintendo is taking a cue from "Skylanders" and "Disney Infinity." The Japanese gaming giant unveiled a toy figure line Tuesday called "amiibo" that will work in tandem with its video games like the toys-meet-games franchises from Activision Blizzard Inc. and the Walt Disney Co.

Similarly to Activision's "Skylanders" and "Disney Infinity," the virtual histories of the characters will be stored on the plastic figures and transmitted through the controller for the Wii U console that features a touchscreen and near-field communication capabilities.

The first 10 figures are due out later this year. The price wasn't announced.

## Sony

Sony Corp. announced Monday that it's bringing new installments of video-game franchises "Uncharted" and "LittleBigPlanet" to the PlayStation 4 as it celebrated the 6-month-old game console's marketplace triumph.

Sony also premiered "Abzu," an underwater odyssey from the creators of the award-winning "Journey" and "Entwined," a psychedelic 3-D flying game. And it showed new highlights from the steampunk thriller "The Order: 1886."

On the hardware side, the company said it will bring PlayStation TV, its video- and game-streaming device, to North America and Europe this fall. The \$99 device lets users stream video, older PlayStation titles and games for Sony's handheld Vita system to any TV. The "micro-console,"

which debuted in November in Japan as PS Vita TV, also lets PlayStation 4 players send the action to a second TV.

On July 31, Sony will launch the open beta of its cloud-based PlayStation Now service, which will allow players to stream classic games from Sony's older consoles onto newer devices such as the PS4, the hand-held Vita, Xperia cellphones and Bravia TVs.

Sony is also demonstrating Project Morpheus, its virtual reality headset, at E3. That project won't be available to consumers for at least another year.

## Electronic Arts

Electronic Arts surprised E3 attendees by announcing it was launching the online beta test for "Battlefield Hardline" June 17.

The upcoming first-person shooter trades the franchise's war-torn locales and military conflicts for an urban assault featuring cops and robbers in the streets of Los Angeles and Miami.

"Hardline" executive producer Steve Papoutsis said the beta test is available on a "first-come, first-served basis" for PC and Sony's PlayStation 4. The game's planned release date is Oct. 21.

## Microsoft

Microsoft focused exclusively on hyping game titles coming to its Xbox One and Xbox 360 consoles on Monday.

The new Xbox One games included a fresh installment of the open-world romp "Crackdown"; a reboot of the Xbox action game "Phantom Dust"; the original dragon-centric adventure "Scalebound" from developer Platinum Games; a sequel to the 2013 "Tomb Raider" reboot titled "Rise of the Tomb Raider"; and a "Halo" collection that will bring four prior installments of the sci-fi shooter to Microsoft's latest console.

Other upcoming games teased included the futuristic "Call of Duty: Advanced Warfare," driving sequel "Forza Horizon 2," original cartoony shoot-'em-up "Sunset Overdrive," cooperative fantasy "Fable Legends" and downloadable choreography game "Dance Central Spotlight."

## GADGET WATCH



## Finally, a smartwatch that's worth your time

BY GREGG ELLMAN

McClatchy-Tribune News Service

The first digital notification watch I tried this year from Martian (Passport) worked great, and the latest, the Martian Notifier, (\$129) works and looks even better.

It's advertised as "a watch to make life on earth easier," and after wearing it for a week I can confirm it really does. A quick peek at your watch for an email or message is so much easier than constantly taking the iPhone out, unlocking it and scrolling for the message.

At times I thought I was in an old "Get Smart" show when talking into my watch for a hands-free call.

Your smartphone or tablet connects via Bluetooth, so you get about 30 feet of range.

Setup takes a little time, but the instructions are well explained, and there are only two buttons to use after setting up the analog time. Both buttons are on the left (top and bottom) and are used to make selections and programming.

A tap of the watch glass gets rid of pestering incoming calls — which are displayed with caller ID — and email and text messages on the scrolling OLED display across the 6 o'clock area on the watch face.

After downloading the free Martian Notifier app (iOS and Android), the instructions run you through the pairing and setup of many features. This includes some settings you will have to change on your smartphone itself.

Social media notifications, alarms and reminders can be sent to the watch; tapping the glass brings back the most recent notification (within the past five minutes).

Other features include using the watch for health and fitness, bank alerts, traffic reports, triggering your phone's camera shutter and even earthquake alerts.

The analog wristwatch is available in red, white and black face plates, with other colors available for an additional charge. The watch needs a microUSB charge every few days depending on usage. A separate analog watch battery is good for up to two years.

Online: martianwatches.com/notifier; \$129, optional designer bands range from \$20 to \$35

The Lifeproof for iPhone 5 renders the phone

waterproof, not a claim everyone would risk their device to test. I took my iPhone for a little swim in a pool. The case also was paired with the Lifeproof Lifepocket Float accessory for iPhone 5, which allows the case to float.

While fully enclosed, the device still has full functionality, including the touchscreen and volume controls. Your charging port and headphone jack aren't accessible, but the device can be paired with a Bluetooth speaker while floating.

The Lifepocket is molded from soft, buoyant foam, designed with a high-visibility orange finish and includes a lanyard and wrist strap.

Lifeproof, part of the Otterbox family, makes everything to keep an iPhone, iPad, iPod or a Samsung Galaxy (S3, S4) waterproof. The cases aren't big and bulky like many others.

Online: lifeproof.com; prices vary on devices. Lifeproof fire is currently on a special for \$59.99, Lifepocket for iPhone 5/5c/5s is \$39.99

PressReader, the app that delivers thousands of newspapers to your tablet (iOS, Android, Mac and PC) every morning, has undergone a tremendous redesign to enhance the user experience.

The new look allows a download of publications (newspapers and magazines) with just a touch of the screen. The design makes it easier to navigate your publications, or browse for new ones.

The Home Feed is a new feature that creates a daily newspaper with the top news items you can customize. Along with the country of your choice you can add specific sections (news, sports, etc.) and specific categories, such as technology.

If your hometown daily paper doesn't have its own standalone app, there's a great chance you'll find it in PressReader, which offers more than 3,500 publications from 100-plus countries, according to the website.

Once you choose the papers you want downloaded, you can get them daily or day to day.

Online: pressreader.com; 99 cents and up

## ITUNES MUSIC

Top 10 songs on the iTunes Store for June 11:

1. "Problem," Ariana Grande (feat. Iggy Azalea)
2. "Rude," MAGIC!
3. "Fancy," Iggy Azalea (feat. Charli XCX)
4. "Stay With Me," Sam Smith
5. "Am I Wrong," Nico & Vinz
6. "Wiggle," Jason Derulo (feat. Snoop Dogg)
7. "Bcom Clap," Charli XCX
8. "Summer," Calvin Harris
9. "Turn Down For What," DJ Snake & Lil Jon
10. "O'Jays" (from "Despicable Me 2"), Pharrell Williams

— Compiled by MCT

## SPOTIFY MUSIC

The top streamed tracks on Spotify for June 2-8:

1. Iggy Azalea, "Fancy"
2. Ariana Grande, "Problem"
3. Calvin Harris, "Summer"
4. Nico & Vinz, "Am I Wrong"
5. Jason Derulo, "Wiggle (feat. Snoop Dogg)"
6. MAGIC!, "Rude"
7. Disclosure, "Latch"
8. MKTO, "Clastic"
9. DJ Snake & Lil Jon, "Turn Down for What"
10. Coldplay, "A Sky Full of Stars"

— Compiled by The Associated Press

## ITUNES MOVIES

Top 10 movies downloaded from the iTunes Store for June 11:

1. "Non-Stop"
2. "Jack Ryan: Shadow Recruit"
3. "Lone Survivor"
4. "The Dark Knight Trilogy"
5. "RoboCop"
6. "Nebraska"
7. "21 Jump Street"
8. "The LEGO Movie"
9. "The Wolf of Wall Street"
10. "Frozen"

— Compiled by MCT

## VIDEO GAMES

Game Informer Magazine ranks the top 10 PlayStation games for June:

1. "Watch Dogs," Ubisoft
2. "Wolfenstein: The New Order," Bethesda
3. "MGS 14: The Show," Sony Computer Entertainment
4. "The Walking Dead Season 2 Episode 3 — In Harm's Way," Telltale Games
5. "2014 FIFA World Cup Brazil," EA Sports
6. "Child of Light," Ubisoft
7. "Dark Souls II," Bandai Namco
8. "Minecraft: PlayStation 3," Mojang
9. "Luftrausers," Devolver Digital
10. "Final Fantasy X/X-2 HD Remaster," Square Enix

— Compiled by MCT

## APPS

Top 5 new free apps for June 11:

ANDROID

1. Spotify Music
2. Bubble Witch 2 Saga
3. Racing Rivals
4. Arcane Backgrounds
5. Break Bricks

Top 5 free apps for iPad for June 11:

APPLE

1. Bubble Witch Saga 2
2. Rival Knights
3. Brainbender
4. Microsoft Word for iPad
5. Netflix

— Compiled by MCT

## BOOKS

# Hillary Clinton's 'Hard Choices' a compelling read

By ROBIN ABCARIAN  
Los Angeles Times

She hasn't decided yet. Or if she has, she's not telling.

But if Hillary Rodham Clinton does for president in 2016, her new book "Hard Choices," a chronicle of her four years as secretary of state, leaves no room for doubt about how she might conduct foreign policy (pragmatically), how she will defend herself against charges that she mishandled the attack on the American compound in Beng-



haz, Libya (routinely), and about how much she regrets giving President George W. Bush carte blanche to wage war against Iraq (deeply and eternally). Other regrets: Her inability to persuade President Barack Obama to arm the Syrian rebels early on in that country's devastating civil war, failing to act more forcefully to support Iran's pro-democracy demonstrators during the Green Revolution in 2009, and wrongly believing that Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, who resigned after weeks of convulsive protests in Cairo's Tahrir Square, was "stable."

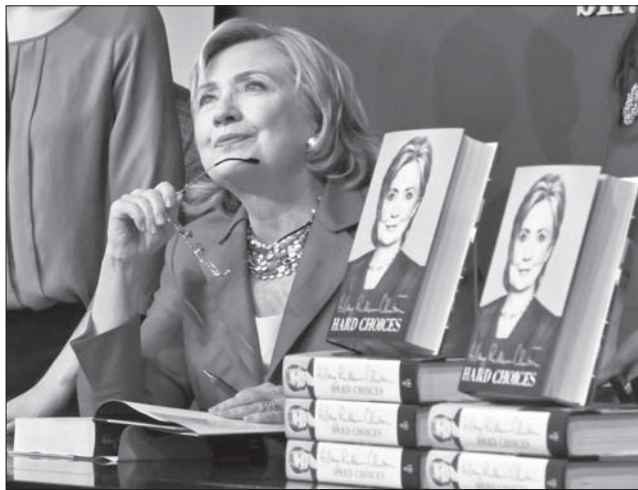
"Hard Choices" is a richly detailed and compelling chronicle of Clinton's role in the foreign initiatives and crises that defined the first term of the Obama administration — the pivot to Asia, the "reset" with Russia, the Arab Spring, the "wicked problem" of Syria — told from the point of view of a policy wonk.

"We needed a new architecture for a new world," she writes of her mission as American's diplomat in chief, "more in the spirit of Frank Gehry than formal Greek classicism."

The dichotomy between "hard power" and "soft power" would no longer do. The Clinton doctrine, if one can be said to exist, is "smart power," a way of combining all the tools at hand — diplomatic, economic, military, political, legal and cultural, to effect American goals.

In country after country during four years of relentless travel, she depicts herself as decisive and cagey with world leaders, and determined to reach beyond government officials and their choreographed diplomatic meetings to interact with everyday people who might be inspired to pursue American-style democracy after an interaction with the down-to-earth secretary of state.

Clinton is well aware of her place in history, and her potential place, as well. She is still subjected to the "persistent double standard applied to women in politics — regarding clothes, body types, and of course hairstyles — that



BEBETO MATTHEWS/AP

"Hard Choices" is a detailed account of the challenges and crises Hillary Rodham Clinton faced during her four years as secretary of state.

you can't let derail you." And, in what might be the worst double standard of all, she knows that she is not allowed to complain about it.

"Smile and keep going," she advises, which might sound a little wimpy, but after living in the political meat grinder as long as she has — as the wife of a two-term president and an elected politician in her own right — she knows that even a twinge of anger is perceived as self-pity, and that's verboten for women.

Those who have been following Hillapalooza, aka the rollout of "Hard Choices," probably know that the chapter she devotes to the September 2012 attack on the American diplomatic compound in Benghazi was leaked to Politico more than a week before the book's publication date Tuesday.

That's as good a barometer as any that the book is a prelude to a presidential campaign.

In that chapter, destined to be the most scrutinized of her book, her well-known stubbornness and impatience with what she perceives as political gamesmanship are on vivid display. Earlier in the book, in a passage about her regrettable vote to authorize the Iraq invasion, she writes, "In our political culture, saying you made a mistake is often taken as weakness when in fact it can be a sign of growth for people and nations. That's another lesson I've learned personally and experienced as secretary of state."

Clinton's lifelong commitment to improving the lives of women and children is a thread that runs through every chapter. (Her first book, "It Takes a Village," fo-

cused on the importance of social infrastructure to families.)

She quietly intervened when Saudi Arabian courts upheld the marriage of an 8-year-old girl to a 50-year-old man. "Fix this on your own, and I won't say a word," she told the Saudis. A new judge approved the divorce. In a Congolese refugee camp, she learns that there is no school. "That drove me crazy," she writes.

This memoir is a valuable account of Clinton's time as America's chief diplomat. It could remain just a chronicle for students of history and politics. Or it could become a political document, used to persuade voters she's fit to be leader of the free world.

Whatever she decides about 2016, no one can say she's unprepared for the job.

## Who wrote that political memoir? The pens behind the politicians

By PAUL FARHI  
The Washington Post

Hillary Rodham Clinton has written a new book. Except maybe she hasn't. It all depends on what the definition of "writer" is.

The former first lady, U.S. senator and secretary of state had some help on her new memoir, "Hard Choices." Clinton employed a phalanx of aides and associates in producing the just-released volume.

But don't expect to hear much about Clinton's "book team," as she calls those who helped her write the book, which carries her name alone on its cover.

Clinton's acknowledgment of her three-man team — Dan Schwerin, a former spokesman and State Department aide to Clinton; Ted Sorensen, another State Department aide; and Ted Widmer, a Clinton adviser and Brown University historian — appears in just a few sentences on Page 597 of the 635-page book. Their exact contributions, however, aren't spelled out.

Such is the lot of the ghostwriter. Actually, many ghostwriters get even less credit. The ghost behind Clinton's 1996

bestseller, "It Takes a Village," wasn't credited at all. That prompted complaints from Barbara Feinman Todd, a Georgetown University lecturer and writer who reportedly labored for seven months on the book (she declined to comment).

Given how frequently politicians use ghostwriters to churn out their hagiographic campaign books, Feinman's complaint implicitly raised a question: Is it ethical to pass off the work of someone else as your own?

Ghostwriters have been channeling the thoughts of politicians, business executives, celebrities and just plain folks with little or no credit since the days of Cyrano de Bergerac, the 17th-century dramatist who, as a fictionalized character in Edmond Rostand's 1897 play, anonymously wrote poetry to help another who his beloved Roxane. The practice has been controversial.

In 1957, then-Sen. John F. Kennedy won the Pulitzer Prize for the bestselling "Profiles in Courage," a collection of stories about intrepid Americans throughout history. But questions about Kennedy's authorship lingered for decades. In 2008,

Ted Sorensen, Kennedy's longtime aide and speechwriter, set the record straight in his autobiography, "Counselor: A Life at the Edge of History." Sorensen wrote that he "did a first draft of most chapters" of "Profiles" and "helped choose the words of many of its sentences."

While its title suggests otherwise, "The Autobiography of Malcolm X" was a collaboration between the civil rights activist and journalist Alex Haley, who later wrote "Roots." Although the story was Malcolm's, Haley was the researcher, organizer and author of the classic book. Under contractual agreement, however, Haley received an "as told to" cover credit on most, but not all, editions.

Since most ghostwriters sign nondisclosure agreements that prohibit them from revealing the extent of their involvement or their remuneration, it's hard to know whether the putative author had assistance or even did any work. Given such secrecy, the author credits on many books are rarely a guide to who did the actual work.

Former Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner, for example, is listed as the author of "Stress Test: Reflections on Finan-

cial Crises," a recent bestseller. But this understates the role of Time magazine journalist Michael Grunwald, who spent months whipping Geithner's narrative into readable form. Geithner calls Grunwald his "collaborator" in his acknowledgments, but Grunwald's name doesn't appear on the cover or the title page (Grunwald declined to comment).

Top ghostwriters, those contracted by publishing houses to produce, say, a celebrity best-seller, can earn as much as \$500,000 for their work, says Kevin Anderson, who runs a self-named ghostwriting firm in New York. He sees no ethical issue in permitting a client to take credit for work produced anonymously by someone else.

"A client who hires a ghostwriter is still the author of their book," Anderson says, adding, "With the exception of some research-based projects, the content, ideas and concepts for ghostwritten books come directly from the client. ... A ghostwriter is an interpreter and a translator, not an author, which is why our clients deserve full credit for authoring their books."



## BOOKS

# Green counts his blessings and sorrows

## 'The Fault in Our Stars' author spends days focused on devastating topics, and he wouldn't trade it for anything

By EMILY YAHIR  
The Washington Post

**B**ack in 2012, John Green didn't know that his young adult novel "The Fault in Our Stars" would become an international best-seller and later, a major motion picture. He also didn't know that he would have to spend the next 2½ years talking at length about some of the most grim subjects imaginable: Teenagers who have cancer. Kids who are dying. What it might be like to die. How people think about death.

That can take an emotional toll on anyone. That includes Green, who has become somewhat of a beloved older brother to his young fans across the world, the ones who cling to every word in his books and Tumblr posts and YouTube videos. Still, he sums up the experience like this: "It's a blessing."

Yes, he admits, the devastating topics explored in the book and the new film have been a bit of a drain on his psyche. But he wouldn't change a thing.

"The book has had such a wonderful reach that I've gotten to talk to people about it who I never imagined would read it — young people living with cancer, parents who have lost kids. That's tremendously rewarding to me," Green said, speaking by phone from Pittsburgh, where the movie was filmed. "So I'm very grateful for that, and grateful that so many people have responded to the book so generously."

"Generously" is an understatement. The novel, told from the perspective of Hazel, a highly intelligent, viry 16-year-old battling cancer, has sold 10.7 million copies internationally and spawned a fiercely devoted fan base. The movie adaptation, starring Shailene Woodley as Hazel and Ansel Elgort as her sparkling love interest Augustus, led the box office

with \$48 million on its opening weekend. Ticket agent Fandango reported the film shattered pre-sale records for a romantic drama.

The reasons Green feels blessed run parallel to the reasons he wrote the book in the first place. He was inspired by his early work as a children's chaplain at a hospital and his friendship with one of his fans — 16-year-old Esther Earl, who died of thyroid cancer almost four years ago. When the novel was published in January 2012, "The Fault in Our Stars" was a decade in the making. He often worried that the subject matter would be too dark, especially for a young-adult audience.

"I couldn't imagine that anyone would want to read it," he said.

"But I

just needed to write it."

And people read it — over and over, telling their family and friends they needed to read it, too. As depressing as the subject matter might be, Green punctuates the book with humor and a remarkable ability to imitate the deadpan, innocent, authentic voice of a teenager. Hazel might have a serious illness that affects her every waking moment, but she's still a 16-year-old girl. She likes reality TV — particularly "America's Next Top Model" — and reading books and meeting cute boys.

Hazel, who almost died at age 13 until she was saved by a "miracle" drug, is forced to attend a support group by her parents. While there, she meets the dreamy Augustus "Gus" Waters, an 18-year-old boy who lost his leg to osteosarcoma, and who takes her by surprise with his charm and lack of pretension. For example, why is he staring at her? As Gus says in the book, "I enjoy looking at beautiful people, and I decided a while ago not to deny myself the simpler pleasures of existence."

With some tweaks, much of the movie — directed by Josh Boone — resembles the book in tone and plot. Hazel and Augustus bond quickly and deeply, as their respective views of the world are shaped by what they have been through with their illnesses.

Mostly, though, they just fall in love. The Pittsburgh filming location doubles for Indianapolis, where Hazel and Gus live. (It's also Green's hometown.) Thanks to Gus' "wish" from a "Make-A-Wish"-like foundation, they travel to Amsterdam to meet Hazel's idol, author Peter Van Houten, a cantankerous alcoholic portrayed by Willem Dafoe. Van Houten wrote a book about a girl with cancer that essentially has become Hazel's bible, and she's determined to get answers about the story's mysterious end.

No spoilers, although fans of the book know all too well how things progress from there. Green was on set almost every day — where, incidentally, he says he cried almost every day — and chronicled the experience

across social media. He's very pleased with the way the film turned out, especially the screenplay by Scott Neustadter and Michael H. Weber; the duo wrote the 2013 drama "The Spectacular Now," also starring Woodley.

In the weeks leading up to the film's opening, devoted young fans have been tweeting about their excitement, and waiting faithfully in line with their parents for 24 hours or longer to see special preview screenings. It's worth asking: People spend lots of time trying to crack the code of connecting to teens, so how does Green achieve this feat so effortlessly? He does so in his books, as well as with his funny, informative hit YouTube series Vlogbrothers, which he runs with his brother, Hank Green.

"I think when old people try to be hip and cool, it's just the worst. ... Whenever they try to come up with a social media plan that 'young people will respond to,' it gives me the shivers," said Green, 36, who's married with two children. "I think the key to being relatable to teenagers is talking to them as if they were human beings instead of as if they're cool teens or something. If you're open and authentic with teenagers, they tend to respond pretty respectfully and really intelligently."

## Green criticizes Amazon.com in book dispute

By HILLEL ITALIE  
The Associated Press

**J**ohn Green is the latest author lashing out at Amazon.com.

"What's ultimately at stake is whether Amazon is going to be able to freely and permanently bully publishers into eventual nonexistence," Green, whose "The Fault in Our Stars" tops Amazon's best-seller list, said June 2.

Green was commenting on the dispute between Amazon and Hachette Book Group, where authors include J.K. Rowling and James Patterson. Amazon has restricted sales and slowed deliveries for Hachette books, reportedly because of a disagreement over terms for e-book sales. Patterson and fellow Hachette author Malcolm Gladwell are among those who have strongly opposed Amazon's tactics.

Green, a frequent critic of bullying, is published by an imprint of Penguin Random House.

"The breadth of American literature and the quality of American literature is in no small part due to the work that publishers do, and it's very unfortunate, in my opinion, to see Amazon refuse to acknowledge the importance of that partnership," Green said.

An Amazon spokeswoman declined to comment. The Seattle-based company issued a statement last week saying that the standoff was unlikely to be resolved soon and suggesting that customers searching for Hachette works try Amazon's competitors.

Hachette said about 5,000 titles are affected.

John Green's novel, "The Fault in Our Stars," has been adapted into a feature film starring Shailene Woodley and Ansel Elgort.

RICHARD DREW/AP



# BUSINESS/WEATHER

# Camaros recalled for ignition issue

By JERRY HIRSCH  
Los Angeles Times

General Motors Co. announced another huge recall Friday, this time for almost 465,000 late-model Chevrolet Camaros sold in the U.S. that have an ignition problem similar to the one linked to a string of deadly accidents in older GM cars.

The automaker is recalling the 2010-14 Camaros because a driver's knee can bump the key fob and suddenly shut off power steering, air bags and the power brake assist.

GM said it knows of three crashes, resulting in four minor injuries, that may be linked to the Camaro key fob.

The issue was discovered by GM during internal testing after its recall of 2.6 million older small cars this year for a faulty ignition switch linked to more than 50 crashes and at least 13 deaths. The switch in those cars could shift suddenly, also turning off critical safety functions.

The automaker knew about the problem in the older cars for more than a decade before recalling the vehicles. It now faces ongoing investigations by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, the Justice Department and Congress into why GM delayed fixing the cars for so long.

But GM said the Camaro problem is unrelated to the system used in Chevrolet Cobalts and other small cars included in the ignition-switch recall. Unlike the ignition in the older cars, the Camaro system meets all GM engineering specifications, the automaker said. It also is a problem with the construction of the fob, rather than the ignition switch.

The automaker will fix the problem by changing the Camaro key to a standard design from one in which the key is concealed in the fob and is opened by pushing a button.

Jeff Boyer, GM vice president of global safety, said that discovering the Camaro problem and acting quickly "is an example of the new

norm for product safety at GM."

GM on Friday also announced smaller recalls of new Buick LaCrosse sedans as well as older Chevrolet Sonics and Saab convertibles.

GM said 14,765 model-year 2014 Buick LaCrosse sedans will have to be repaired because a wiring splice in the driver's door may corrode and break, creating an electrical problem with circuits that control the door chime, passenger windows, rear windows and sunroof.

The Chevrolet Sonic recall involves 21,567 cars from the 2012 model year equipped with a six-speed automatic transmission and a 1.8-liter, four-cylinder engine. The cars can have a condition where the transmission turbine shaft fractures "as a result of a supplier quality issue," GM said.

The Saab recall involves 28,789 Saab 9-3 convertibles from the 2004-13 model years because an automatic tensioning system cable in the driver's side front seat-belt retractor could break.

This latest round brings GM's total for the year to 38 separate recalls in the U.S. including 14.4 million vehicles. Including these recalls, the auto industry has recalled about 25 million vehicles this year — about 1 out of 10 vehicles on the road in the U.S.

An internal GM probe into the delayed recall of older cars found a pervasive atmosphere of incompetence and neglect that led the company to allow the problem to fester for 11 years.

## MARKET WATCH

June 13, 2014

Dow Jones Industrials 41.55

1,6775.74

Nasdaq composite 13.02

4,310.65

Standard & Poor's 500 6.05

1,936.16

Russell 2000 3.28

1,162.68

## EXCHANGE RATES

Military rates	
Euro costs (June 16)	\$1.3906
Dollar buys (June 16)	€0.7191
British pound (June 16)	\$1.74
Japanese yen (June 16)	100.00
South Korean won (June 16)	993.00

Commercial rates	
Bahrain (Dinar)	0.3771
British pound	\$1.6965
Canada (Dollar)	1.0857
China (Yuan)	6.2955
Denmark (Krone)	5.5111
Egypt (Pound)	7.1525
Euro	\$1.3252/0.75
Hong Kong (Dollar)	7.7389
Hungary (Forint)	226.81
Israel (Sheqel)	3.4536
Japan (Yen)	102.01
Kuwait (Dinar)	0.2823
Norway (Krone)	5.9944
Philippines (Peso)	43.88
Poland (Zloty)	3.04
Saudi Arabia (Riyal)	3.7508
Singapore (Dollar)	1.2902
South Korea (Won)	1,013.71
Switzerland (Franc)	0.9506
Thailand (Baht)	32.38
Turkey (Lira)	2.1246

(Military exchange rates are those available to customers at military banking facilities in the country of issuance for Japan, South Korea, Germany, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom. For nonlocal currency exchange rates (i.e., purchasing British pounds in Germany), check your local military banking facility. Commercial rates are interbank rates provided for reference when buying currency. All figures are foreign currencies to one dollar, except for the British pound, which is represented in dollars-to-pound, and the euro, which is dollar-to-euro.)

## INTEREST RATES

Prime rate	3.25
Discount rate	0.75
Federal funds market rate	0.09
3-month bill	0.09
30-year bond	3.41

## WEATHER OUTLOOK



## Sunday's US temperatures

City	Hi	Lo	Wthr	City	Hi	Lo	Wthr	City	Hi	Lo	Wthr	City	Hi	Lo	Wthr
Akron, Ohio	81	64	Cir	Chicago	87	67	Rain	Fort Wayne	84	68	Cir	Louisville	88	70	Cir
Albany, N.Y.	79	53	Cir	Cincinnati	86	64	Rain	Fresno	93	62	Cir	Lubbock	92	69	Cir
Albuquerque	89	62	Cir	Cleveland	79	65	Cir	Goodland	80	58	Cir	Macon	90	70	Pcldy
Allentown, Pa.	80	56	Cir	Colorado Springs	77	51	Cir	Grand Junction	86	64	Rain	Medford	77	50	Pcldy
Amarillo	88	64	Cir	Columbia, S.C.	91	69	Pcldy	Great Rapids	83	65	Pcldy	Memphis	91	73	Cir
Anchorage	63	49	Cldy	Columbus, Ga.	90	73	Pcldy	Greensboro, N.C.	86	67	Cir	Midland-Odessa	101	74	Pcldy
Asheville	81	62	Pcldy	Columbus, Ohio	84	66	Cir	Harrisburg	80	59	Cir	Milwaukee	82	64	Rain
Atlanta	88	71	Cldy	Concord, N.H.	78	51	Cir	Hartford	79	57	Cir	Mpls-St Paul	75	58	Rain
Atlantic City	79	59	Cir	Corpus Christi	91	78	Cldy	Helena	71	46	Cldy	Missoula	69	44	Cldy
Austin	89	70	Pcldy	Dallas-Ft Worth	91	75	Cldy	Houston	91	77	Pcldy	Mobile	80	62	Rain
Baltimore	84	61	Cir	Dayton	84	67	Cir	Houston	91	77	Pcldy	Montgomery	91	68	Pcldy
Baton Rouge	88	71	Pcldy	Daytona Beach	88	73	Cldy	Huntsville	92	68	Cir	Nashville	89	68	Pcldy
Bilings	74	50	Pcldy	Denver	79	53	Pcldy	Indianapolis	84	69	Cir	New Orleans	88	73	Pcldy
Birmingham	88	70	Pcldy	Des Moines	82	63	Cldy	Jackson, Miss.	91	70	Pcldy	New York City	80	64	Cir
Bismarck	72	46	Pcldy	Detroit	80	67	Pcldy	Jacksonville	89	74	Rain	Newark	83	64	Cir
Boise	85	69	Cldy	Duluth	68	52	Rain	Janeau	88	60	Rain	Norfolk, Va.	82	67	Cir
Boston	76	59	Cir	El Paso	96	77	Pcldy	Kansas City	82	68	Cldy	North Platte	79	55	Cir
Bridgeport	79	60	Cir	Elkins	83	55	Cir	Key West	88	80	Cldy	Oklahoma City	72	57	Cir
Brownsville	91	79	Pcldy	Elie	75	65	Cir	Knoxville	89	66	Pcldy	Omaha	81	62	Pcldy
Buffalo	77	61	Cir	Eugene	68	45	Cldy	Lake Charles	89	76	Pcldy	Orlando	81	63	Cir
Burlington, Vt.	75	59	Cir	Evansville	89	71	Cir	Las Vegas	89	74	Cir	Pasadena	81	63	Pcldy
Caribou, Maine	68	46	Cldy	Fairbanks	71	52	Cldy	Las Vegas	89	74	Cir	Pendleton	71	46	Pcldy
Casper	75	44	Cldy	Fargo	74	53	Cldy	Little Rock	85	68	Cir	Peoria	84	67	Rain
Charleston, S.C.	89	70	Pcldy	Flagstaff	76	41	Cir	Lincoln	82	63	Cir	Philadelphia	81	62	Cir
Charleston, W.Va.	90	63	Pcldy	Flint	82	66	Pcldy	Little Rock	90	71	Pcldy	Phoenix	104	78	Cir
Charlotte, N.C.	87	69	Pcldy	Fort Smith	90	71	Pcldy	Los Angeles	75	61	Pcldy	Pittsburgh	84	61	Cir

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Lo: Fri., 28, Lakeview, Ore.

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D.C.	7	4	4	25	22	16
New England	7	5	2	23	21	18
Sporting KC	6	5	3	21	19	14
Toronto FC	6	4	1	19	13	15
New York	4	5	6	18	22	22
Columbus	4	5	6	18	18	18
San Jose	4	7	1	17	16	29
Philadelphia	3	7	6	15	22	27
Chicago	2	7	8	14	22	25
Montreal	2	7	4	10	13	26
WESTERN CONFERENCE						
	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Seattle	10	3	2	32	32	23
Real Salt Lake	6	2	7	25	25	21
Colorado	6	4	4	22	17	18
FC Dallas	6	7	4	22	28	28
Vancouver	5	2	6	21	25	20
Portland	4	5	4	18	20	27
Los Angeles	4	3	5	17	16	11
San Jose	4	5	4	16	15	14
Chivas USA	2	7	5	11	14	26

Note: Three points for victory, one point for tie.

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D.C. United, 4 Montreal 2  
 Portland 2, FC Dallas 2, tie  
**Wednesday, June 25**  
 Montreal at Vancouver  
**Friday, June 27**  
 Toronto FC at New England  
 Sporting Kansas City at Portland  
**Saturday, June 28**  
 Seattle FC at D.C. United  
 Philadelphia at New England  
 Dallas at Columbus  
 Vancouver at Colorado  
 Real Salt Lake at Chivas USA  
 Los Angeles at San Jose  
**Sunday, June 29**  
 Houston at Montreal

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	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Seattle	9	0	2	25	25	9
FC Kansas City	6	3	4	21	19	16
Washington	6	5	1	19	21	22
Chicago	6	4	1	19	16	10
Portland	6	3	4	21	14	20
Portland	4	4	2	14	10	15
Houston	4	7	1	13	15	21
Sky Blue FC	4	5	3	14	10	21
Portland	3	8	0	9	15	24

**Note:** Three points for victory, one point for tie.

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Boston 2, Washington 0  
Houston 2, Western New York 1

FC Kansas City at Houston  
**Sunday's games**  
Sky Blue FC at Chicago  
Washington at Portland  
**Wednesday, June 18**  
Chicago at Western New York  
**Thursday, June 19**  
Seattle FC at Boston  
**Saturday, June 21**  
Portland at Washington  
Chicago at FC Kansas City  
**Sunday, June 22**  
Boston at Sky Blue FC  
Seattle FC at Western New York

**Boxing**

Note: Three points for victory, one point for tie.

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## NFL/SPORTS BRIEFS

# HOF coach Noll dies

By WILL GRAVES  
The Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — Chuck Noll, the Hall of Fame coach who won a record four Super Bowl titles with the Pittsburgh Steelers, died Friday night at his home. He was 82.

The Allegheny County Medical Examiner said Noll died of natural causes.

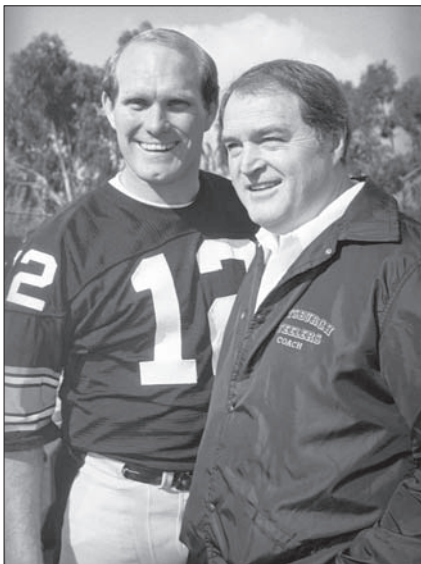
Noll transformed the Steelers from a long-standing joke into one of the NFL's pre-eminent powers, becoming the only coach to win four Super Bowls. He was a demanding figure who did not make close friends with his players, yet was a successful and motivating leader.

The Steelers won the four Super Bowls over six seasons (1974, 1975, 1978 and 1979), an unprecedented run that made Pittsburgh one of the NFL's marquee franchises, one that breathed life into a struggling, blue-collar city.

"He was one of the great coaches of the game," Steelers owner Dan Rooney once said. "He ranks up there with (George) Halas, (Tom) Landry and (Curly) Lambeau."

Noll's 16-8 record in postseason play remains one of the best in league history. He retired in 1991 with a 209-156-1 record in 23 seasons, after inheriting a team that had never won a postseason game. He was inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 1993.

Noll worked so well with Steelers President Rooney that the team never felt the need to have a general manager. When he retired, and was replaced by Bill Cowher, only four other coaches



Pittsburgh quarterback Terry Bradshaw, left, and coach Chuck Noll pose for photographers in 1980. Noll died Friday night at his home.

or managers in modern U.S. pro sports history had run their teams longer than Noll had.

"Chuck Noll is the best thing that happened to the Roomeys since they got on the boat (to America) in Ireland," Art Rooney II, the former Steelers personnel chief and the son of the team founder, once said.

A former messenger guard for his hometown Cleveland Browns who earned the nickname Knute Knute Knowledge — as in Knute Rockne — Noll was an assistant with the San Diego Chargers and Baltimore Colts for nine seasons. Then he accepted what seemed a dead-end job in January 1969 as coach of the NFL's least-successful organization.

Art Rooney Sr. often hired

friends and cronies as coaches, and only two of the Steelers' first 13 coaches had winning records. At the time Noll took over, the franchise was 105 games below .500 in its history.

Noll, hired only after Penn State's Joe Paterno turned down a \$350,000, five-year offer, was different from any Steelers coach before him. He immediately brought intelligence, toughness, stability, confidence, character and a can-do mindset to a franchise accustomed to constant upheaval and ever-changing personnel.

Asked at his first news conference if his goal was to make the Steelers respectable, Noll said, "Respectability? Who wants to be respectable? That's spoken like a true loser."

## Briefly

# Harvick wins pole for Michigan race

The Associated Press

BROOKLYN, Mich. — Kevin Harvick made Michigan International Speedway's latest track record look routine.

In what is becoming an annual occurrence at MIS, Harvick pushed the track's qualifying mark a little bit higher Friday, winning the pole for this weekend's Sprint Cup race at 204.557 mph. Harvick's pole-winning speed was the fastest since Bill Elliott set the record of 212.809 mph at Talladega Superspeedway in April 1987.

"This is one of those racetracks where you're running fast, but you really can't put it all in perspective, I guess, until you hit something," Harvick said. "It's so wide, it's so fast and so smooth, but you don't really get that huge sensation of speed."

Drivers have broken 200 mph with regularity at Michigan since the track was repaved before the 2012 season. Marcos Ambrose had a speed of 203.241 in 2012, the first time anyone won a pole at over 200 mph since Elliott did it before horsepower-sapping restrictor plates were introduced at Talladega and Daytona.

Last August, Joey Logano increased the track record to 203.949.

Harvick was even faster in winning his third pole of the year and ninth of his career. Points leader Jeff Gordon was second, and Dale Earnhardt Jr. was third. The top three qualifiers for Sunday's 400-mile race were all in Chevrolets.

## Lions cut Houston with 4 years left on contract

DETROIT — The Detroit Lions cut cornerback Chris Houston one year into his \$25 million, five-year contract.

"Chris Houston underwent a

significant medical procedure this spring," the Lions said in a statement Friday. "Both parties felt that the best course of action at this time was to release Chris and allow him to rehabilitate away from the Club. The Lions appreciate Chris' contributions over the years and wish him the best in his recovery."

Houston, who had foot surgery, was limited to 12 games last season because of toe and foot injuries. The ailments appeared to hurt his play when he was on the field.

"We anticipate Chris making a full recovery and playing football this year," Houston's agent, Jonathan Feinsod, said in a telephone interview Friday night.

## Three players leave Kansas football team

LAWRENCE, Kan. — Former five-star quarterback Jake Heaps, wide receiver Andrew Turzilli and running back Darian Miller have left the Kansas football, coach Charlie Weis announced Friday.

Turzilli graduated in May and Heaps will graduate at the end of June. It is unclear whether they plan to enroll at another school, though NCAA rules state that they would be eligible to play immediately because they have completed their degree requirements.

Heaps transferred to Kansas from BYU, and redshirted under NCAA transfer rules. He began last season as the starter but eventually lost his job to freshman Montell Cozart.

Meanwhile, Weis said that Miller had left because of personal reasons. Miller was dismissed from the program shortly after Weis was hired, but was allowed back last season after one year at a junior college.

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## US OPEN/NBA FINALS



CHUCK BURTON/AP

Martin Kaymer watches his tee shot on the seventh hole during the second round of the U.S. Open in Pinehurst, N.C., on Friday.

# Kaymer not done yet

## Plenty of work still ahead for German despite six-stroke lead

By DOUG FERGUSON  
The Associated Press

PINEHURST, North Carolina — Too bad the Fox Sports contract to televise the U.S. Open doesn't start until next year. Greg Norman would probably have a lot to say about the difficulty of playing with a big lead on the weekend at a major championship.

Norman, who will be the network's golf analyst, famously lost a six-shot lead in the final round of the 1996 Masters. Ten years earlier, he lost a four-shot lead in the PGA Championship at Inverness.

Martin Kaymer still has 36 holes to go at Pinehurst No. 2.

The 29-year-old German thus far has played like a "finely tuned engineer," a description Darren Clarke used for him when Kaymer won The Players Championship last month. Going into the third round Saturday, he has made 11 birdies and, more importantly, has not made a bogey in 29 holes.

That adds to a 10-under 130 — a 36-hole record at the U.S. Open. His six-shot lead over Brendon Todd tied the U.S. Open record for largest 36-hole lead with Tiger Woods (Pebble Beach in 2000) and Rory McIlroy (Congressional in 2011). Both went on to win in record fashion.

Does the strategy change? Does he start the third round as

if he has no lead at all, or does he play conservatively to avoid big numbers?

McIlroy offered advice from his own experience.

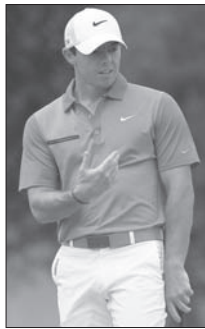
He had a four-shot lead going into the final round of the 2011 Masters, played defensively and wound up with an 80. The collapse might have been even more memorable except that Boy Wonder turned out to be a quick study. Two months later, he had a six-shot lead going into the weekend at the U.S. Open, expanded that margin to eight shots on Saturday, and never let anyone get close the rest of the way.

"You need that mentality that you're not trying to protect," McIlroy said Friday night after a 68 put him nine shots behind.

"You're not happy with six. You want to get to seven, you want to get to eight. And I learned that at the Masters, the previous major before Congressional. If you get too defensive, it's detrimental. So he has to just keep hitting his spots, being aggressive."

"And if he does that, shoots a couple of 70s over the weekend, I don't think anyone is going to catch him."

The 67 players who made the cut at Pinehurst would love to be in Kaymer's position. That's not to say Kaymer has smooth sailing ahead of him. From a public perception, all he can do from here is lose, and it's hard to block



CHARLIE RIEDEL/AP

Rory McIlroy reacts after missing a putt on the 13th hole during the second round of the U.S. Open on Friday.

that out.

Kaymer made quick work of Pinehurst over two days. The last two days will feel a lot longer.

Phil Mickelson made reference to Gil Morgan, the first player to reach double digits under par in the U.S. Open at Pebble Beach in 1992. He finished eight shots behind. Then again, Mickelson said Pinehurst No. 2 is different from Pebble Beach, just as Kaymer — a major champion and former world No. 1 — is not Morgan.

"There's opportunity to salvage par if your game is off," Mickelson said. "And his game is on."

## US Open scores

### Second round

Friday  
At Pinehurst Resort and Country Club  
No. 2 Course  
Pinehurst, N.C.  
Purse: TBA (\$8 million in 2013)  
Yardage: 7,562; Par: 70  
Second round  
a-denotes amateur

Brendon Todd	65-65=130	-10
Kevin Na	69-67=136	-4
Brandt Snedeker	69-68=137	-3
Brooks Koepka	70-68=138	-2
Dustin Johnson	69-69=138	-2
Brendon De Jonghe	69-69=138	-2
Keegan Bradley	69-69=138	-2
Henrik Stenson	69-69=138	-2
Rory McIlroy	69-70=139	-1
Matt Kuchar	71-68=139	-1
Rory McIlroy	71-68=139	-1
Jordan Spieth	71-68=139	-1
Adam Scott	73-67=140	E
Francesco Molinari	69-71=140	E
Erik Compton	72-68=140	E
Ian Poulter	69-71=140	E
Hideki Matsuyama	69-71=140	E
Rickie Fowler	70-70=140	E
Steve Stricker	70-70=140	E
J.B. Holmes	70-71=141	E
Danny Willett	70-71=141	E
Marcel Siem	70-71=141	E
Jason Day	73-68=141	E
Justin Rose	72-69=141	E
Aaron Baddeley	70-71=141	E
Jimmy Walker	70-71=141	E
Victor Dubautson	70-71=141	E
Seung-Yul Noh	70-72=142	E
Frans Quinn	69-73=142	E
Lucas Bjerregaard	70-72=142	E
Graeme McDowell	69-73=142	E
Garth Mulroy	71-72=143	E
Jim Furyk	73-70=143	E
Gary Woodland	72-71=143	E
Daniel Berger	72-71=143	E
Scott Langley	72-71=143	E
Patrick Reed	71-72=143	E
Wesley Snead	72-71=143	E
Phil Mickelson	70-73=143	E
Billy Horschel	70-73=143	E
Kenny Perry	69-74=143	E
Shiv Kapur	73-70=143	E
Alsa Cokja	72-71=144	E
Bill Haas	72-72=144	E
Stewart Cink	72-72=144	E
Harris English	69-75=144	E
Ernie Els	72-72=144	E
Louis Oosthuizen	71-73=144	E
Kevin Kisner	72-72=144	E
Bo Van Pelt	72-72=144	E
Retief Goosen	72-72=144	E
Kevin Tway	72-72=144	E
Cody Kirkland	72-72=144	E
Ryan Moore	76-68=144	E
Sergio Garcia	71-73=144	E
Boo Weekley	71-73=144	E
a-Matthew Fitzpatrick	71-73=144	E
Russell Henley	70-74=144	E
Clayton Rask	71-73=144	E
Kevin Stadler	70-74=144	E
Justin Leonard	70-74=144	E
Paul Casey	70-74=144	E
Toru Taniguchi	72-72=145	E
Zac Blair	71-74=145	E
Zach Johnson	71-74=145	E
Billy Hurley II	71-74=145	E
Nicholas Lindheim	72-73=145	E
Didn't make the cut		
Casey Wittenberg	74-72=146	E
Andres Echavarria	74-72=146	E
Hudson Swafford	76-70=146	E
Mark Wilson	76-70=146	E
Shane Lowry	73-73=146	E
Luke Donald	74-72=146	E
Bubba Watson	76-70=146	E
Jason Dufner	72-74=146	E
Hunter Mahan	72-74=146	E
Tommy Fleetwood	73-73=146	E
a-Cory Whitsett	76-69=146	E
a-Hunter Stead	73-73=146	E
Kyung-Hoon Lee	74-72=146	E
a-John Huh	74-72=146	E
Angel Cabrera	72-74=146	E
Miguel Angel Jimenez	72-74=146	E
Thongchai Jaidee	72-74=146	E
Jose Luis Ruiz	76-70=146	E
Mat Dobson	74-72=146	E
a-Brian Campbell	76-70=146	E
Ken Duke	74-72=146	E
John Senden	71-76=147	E
Nicolas Colseats	72-75=147	E
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Mark Lewis	74-74=148	E
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Westwood	74-74=148	E
Nick Watney	74-74=148	E
Wen-Chong Liang	74-74=148	E
Kevin Chalmers	74-74=148	E
Oliver Fisher	74-74=148	E
David Collins	74-74=148	E
Henrik Norlander	70-79=149	E
Phil Larrazabal	70-79=149	E
Tom Lewis	70-79=149	E
Chris Barlow	74-75=149	E
David Hearn	74-75=149	E
Niclas Fast	74-75=149	E
Kevin Chalmers	74-75=149	E
Bernard Wiesberger	72-78=150	E
Ungor-Sung Kim	72-78=150	E
Kevin Statham	72-78=150	E
Maximilian Kieffer	74-76=150	E
Maxwell McNelly	74-76=150	E
Anthony Broussard	78-72=150	E
Graeme Storm	72-79=151	E

## Heat face tall task down 3-1 to Spurs

By BRIAN MAHONEY  
The Associated Press

MIAMI — The San Antonio Spurs left Miami last June looking so human, Tim Duncan nearly in tears talking about how close they were to another championship.

They don't look human now. They look like a machine.

Up 3-1 and shooting the ball at a level never seen in the NBA Finals, the Spurs headed home with a chance to wrap things up on Sunday night in Game 5.

The Miami Heat, who were able to deny the Spurs last year, have two days to figure out what can possibly be done to do it again. "They're a high-oil machine and they move the ball extremely well," LeBron James said. "They put you in so many difficult positions. If you're not right on time, right on target, they're going to make you pay for it."

The Spurs won by 19 and 21 in the two games in Miami and are shooting 54.2 percent in the series. The NBA Finals record for a series of any length is 52.7 percent.

No team has overcome a 3-1 deficit in the finals, and the Heat were so thoroughly manhandled in Miami that the only reason to think they could be the first is what they did in the past.

Duncan said the memory of last season's loss — the pain that's driven the Spurs through this entire season — would "definitely come up" before Sunday.

"As I said, we know the caliber team they are, and we have a lot of respect for what they're able to do," Duncan said. "They're able to throw it another gear and they're going to do just that. They don't want this to be done."

Duncan probably meant "done" as in the series. Of course, it could also mean the era.

Two off days were sure to be filled by talk of the Heat's uncertain future, with James, Dwyane Wade and Chris Bosh all eligible for free agency. Might such a one-sided beating convince James he had to leave to find a better roster elsewhere? Make him more resolute in his desire to stay and get the Heat back on top?

The two-time champions have more urgent concerns now.

"Did we expect to come here and lose two the way we did at home? No way," Wade said. "But we also expect to go to San Antonio and put up a better effort and try to come out with another win. So we'll get away from it (Friday), but we'll still think about what we need to do to try to get another win to keep the series alive."

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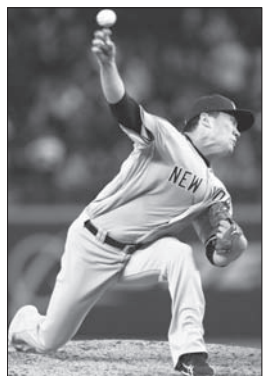
## Statistics

### American League

TEAM	BATTING	R	H	HR	RBI	AVG
Detroit	2157	276	585	69	271	.258
Texas	2445	284	595	44	262	.265
Baltimore	2368	269	563	69	236	.254
Toronto	2356	327	611	92	311	.259
Cleveland	2319	306	600	61	291	.255
New York	2286	305	604	67	285	.254
Kansas City	2256	264	576	31	246	.255
Los Angeles	2303	306	607	67	285	.254
Chicago	2325	300	592	68	282	.255
Oakland	2305	288	583	69	236	.247
Minnesota	2234	283	552	54	264	.247
Boston	2299	269	560	50	255	.244
Tampa Bay	2218	248	563	49	236	.247
Houston	2302	266	551	75	251	.239
Seattle	2240	269	566	51	254	.235

### INDIVIDUAL BATTING

PLAYER	R	H	HR	RBI	AVG
Rios Tex	259	31	8	32	.328
Canó Sea	247	30	8	35	.328
McCabe Det	247	37	12	34	.319
VMartinez Det	238	29	7	16	.314
Alfaro Hou	262	38	9	22	.319
Beltre Tex	205	35	6	30	.317
Brantley Cle	256	47	9	44	.316
Bautista Tor	248	51	17	15	.310
Al Ramirez CWS	265	31	8	36	.310
Suzuki Min	187	18	5	2	.305
McCabe Tor	285	43	8	10	.340
Markakis Sea	276	39	6	28	.301
Alones Bal	273	37	8	40	.300
N Cruz Bal	246	73	21	55	.298
Tout LA	235	42	6	29	.290
Elisbury NYY	245	33	7	4	.290
Hardy Bal	232	43	0	0	.290
Asencior Bal	234	29	6	22	.286
Day Murphy Cle	215	36	5	24	.284
Solarie NYY	212	25	6	6	.283
Fowler Hou	241	38	4	19	.282
Gardner NYY	245	36	6	31	.282
Loney Bal	245	68	6	31	.282
Adams Bal	245	68	6	31	.282
Kinsler Det	265	43	7	4	.282
Aybar Bal	251	30	4	35	.279
Bogerts Bos	241	34	6	18	.278
Robins Det	216	50	4	19	.276
Jeter NYY	223	40	6	14	.275
Napoli Bos	175	20	4	6	.275
Bourne Cle	234	37	4	6	.275
Hiendrick LAA	257	35	3	25	.272
Crisp Oak	178	32	6	6	.269
Sperez Cle	219	22	5	6	.269
Pedroia Bos	265	38	7	1	.268
Castellanos Det	200	16	5	3	.265
Joyce Tex	215	21	4	25	.265
Albreu Hou	219	26	5	19	.265
Andrus Tex	258	39	6	2	.264
Yomes Cle	209	27	4	3	.263
LMartin Tex	213	28	5	6	.263
Mauer Min	236	32	6	15	.263
Moss Oak	232	29	16	6	.263
Reyes Tor	214	34	5	6	.262
Choo Tex	214	34	5	6	.262
Tor Hunter Det	218	29	5	7	.261
Longoria Bal	248	39	7	3	.261
BButler Tor	268	30	7	3	.261
Aoki Cle	242	32	6	4	.260
Eaton CWS	197	32	6	1	.259
Cespedes Oak	248	35	6	12	.258
BButler Tor	248	35	6	12	.258
Zobrist Bal	237	28	5	4	.256
Acabera Cle	243	40	5	15	.256
Springer Hou	193	29	4	12	.255
Danlodson Oak	264	52	6	17	.254
Chavez Oak	255	32	18	24	.253
Encarnacion Tor	257	47	15	50	.253
Chavez Oak	252	47	15	50	.253
Pujols LA	261	35	15	37	.249
Viciedo CWS	237	28	5	5	.249
Escobar Tor	236	28	5	5	.249
Dozier Min	251	54	6	14	.243
DeJonghens Tor	236	28	5	5	.243
Seager Sea	235	27	9	39	.243
NMunoz Hou	252	41	17	24	.242
Plouffe Min	245	31	5	37	.241
Roberts NYY	193	27	4	14	.238
Lawrie Tor	238	34	11	11	.238
Adun CWS	190	23	4	11	.237
Young Sea	192	32	5	13	.237
Ackley Sea	199	29	4	4	.231
Asiano NYY	197	21	4	6	.228



**New York Yankees pitcher Masahiro Tanaka leads the American League with a 10-1 record and 2.02 ERA.**

TEAM	PITCHING	ERA	H	BB	SO	SV	SH
Oakland	2.89	52	197	188	514	7	13
Seattle	3.40	52	225	197	514	7	13
Kansas City	3.73	573	247	191	480	5	20
Boston	3.81	619	258	197	540	3	16
Los Angeles	3.84	512	255	200	556	4	23
New York	3.89	584	258	164	570	5	22
Toronto	3.98	611	272	241	499	9	23
Detroit	3.99	549	256	192	485	3	16
Tampa Bay	4.04	578	274	216	579	7	10
Baltimore	4.05	584	267	219	461	5	19
Houston	4.12	584	281	220	514	2	13
Cleveland	4.14	592	277	227	587	4	18
Chicago	4.22	586	260	264	474	0	18
Minnesota	4.32	605	280	182	440	6	18
Texas	4.36	615	282	193	490	13	13

### INDIVIDUAL PITCHING

PLAYER	IP	H	BB	SO	L	ERA
Tanaka NYY	94	74	14	103	10	2.02
Darvish Tex	85	69	27	101	7	2.21
Kluber Hou	82	63	17	10	7	2.20
Buehrle Tor	95	60	26	55	10	3.28
Gray Oak	92	77	18	115	8	3.28
Gray Oak	92	77	18	115	8	3.28
Chavez Oak	80	77	24	9	3.04	3.04
Scherzer Det	94	84	28	106	8	3.05
Richards LAA	82	63	27	77	6	3.09
Phuquang Min	82	83	8	72	7	3.17
Verlander Cle	70	66	21	4	3.20	3.20
Vargas CWS	94	97	18	81	8	3.24
Lester Bos	93	89	27	6	3.26	3.26
Kluber Cle	92	93	24	99	7	3.33
Archer Tor	91	91	22	104	6	3.35
Shields Cle	92	94	21	78	7	3.44
Milone Oak	73	70	21	26	4	3.47
CWilson LAA	93	73	36	87	7	3.50
Weaver LAA	90	76	29	7	3.51	3.51
Gibson Min	88	71	28	8	3.55	3.55
Hutchinson Tor	82	75	23	70	5	3.62
Young Sea	73	73	32	55	3	3.65
Wheeler Bal	77	85	11	57	7	3.72
BNorris Bal	75	63	25	51	5	3.94

PRICE	100	105	10	111	4	6	3.97
Goetz CWS	196	7	38	1	1	1	3.98
Guthrie Cle	91	91	24	50	3	6	4.04
Porcello Det	76	78	17	49	8	4	4.04
Kuroda NYY	79	83	14	44	4	4	4.12
Elias Sea	85	75	32	74	5	5	4.13
Seaver CWS	82	76	32	48	5	5	4.13
Cosart Hou	73	66	33	56	5	5	4.19
Dickey Tor	88	68	44	68	4	4	4.20
Skaggs LAA	77	71	24	48	4	4	4.34
Verlander Det	92	99	39	67	6	6	4.46
Seaver CWS	81	86	31	52	1	1	4.51
Ulinenez Bal	76	70	45	68	2	8	4.61
Tillman Bal	81	86	31	52	1	1	4.61
Masterpiece Cle	82	82	43	74	4	5	5.05
Correia Min	72	79	22	26	4	5	5.05
Nolasco Min	79	99	22	26	4	5	5.10

### National League

TEAM	BATTING	R	H	HR	RBI	AVG
Colorado	2327	344	663	84	327	.285
San Francisco	2284	288	582	62	285	.280
Arizona	2435	286	625	63	268	.257
Milwaukee	2327	600	678	79	257	.257
Pittsburgh	2315	271	594	63	260	.257
Los Angeles	2365	291	602	63	278	.255
San Francisco	2307	234	577	69	263	.250
St. Louis	2289	248	570	37	234	.249
Washington	2266	274	563	60	252	.248
Atlanta	2219	237	536	66	225	.242
Philadelphia	2249	242	542	54	240	.241
Cincinnati	2188	231	521	55	216	.238
New York	2213	247	515	56	238	.232
San Diego	2205	262	475	49	215	.215

### INDIVIDUAL BATTING

INDIVIDUAL BATTING					HR	RBI	AVG
Tulowitzki Col	219	53	78	13	43	.356	
Lucroy Mil	243	29	78	5	31	.337	
Goetz CWS	247	36	77	16	11	.337	
AMCatcher Pit	247	36	79	10	38	.320	
Goetz CWS	247	36	79	10	38	.320	
Goldschmidt Ari	271	49	84	13	48	.310	
Utley Phi	243	34	75	4	31	.309	
Stanton Mia	249	48	16	18	31	.305	
Pagan SF	236	34	72	3	19	.305	
Larose Sea	174	50	8	33	33	.305	
McGehee Mia	254	24	77	1	40	.303	
DanMurphy NYY	274	43	83	5	25	.303	
Blackmon Col	247	36	77	8	29	.296	
Monroe Col	237	27	70	11	42	.295	
Werth Was	249	37	77	6	29	.293	
Morse SF	226	32	73	6	31	.293	
McCartener STL	265	43	66	13	44	.292	
Smith SD	183	25	63	6	21	.290	
Gennett Mil	197	32	57	16	16	.289	
Jupton Atl	225	34	55	14	18	.288	
Braun Mil	201	58	3	28	28	.288	
Y Molina STL	229	22	66	3	28	.288	
Revere Phi	226	30	65	1	8	.288	
Walker Pit	239	23	69	13	28	.288	
Dorland LAD	251	34	70	1	15	.280	
Rizzo Cle	247	15	17	17	17	.278	
Rizzo Cle	187	26	5	21	21	.278	
Frazier Cin	239	41	66	14	35	.276	
Goetz CWS	227	32	8	29	27	.273	
Prado Ari	266	32	32	2	27	.274	
Freeman Atl	249	42	8	11	35	.273	
Stones Cle	260	29	7	9	27	.273	
CJohnson Atl	247	31	67	3	17	.271	
GParr Ari	277	38	7	5	24	.271	
Phillips Cin	252	21	6	8	27	.271	
Montano Ari	219	24	5	3	27	.269	
Owings Ari	213	24	5	6	26	.268	
Wright NYY	247	31	66	9	34	.267	
Dwight NYY	227	29	74	4	33	.267	
Span Was	252	41	67	11	14	.266	
Bonifacio CWS	241	29	64	1	16	.266	
LeMahieu Gos	204	30	4	2	21	.265	
Podsed SF	216	27	57	8	29	.264	
Holliday STL	241	32	63	4	21	.261	
Sandoval SF	242	32	64	8	28	.261	
Ramirez LAD	238	31	63	2	38	.261	
BCrawford SF	215	27	56	6	26	.260	
Byrd Phi	246	28	64	10	38	.260	
Yelich Mia	251	38	55	11	24	.259	
KDavis Mil	228	41	59	11	28	.259	
ASimmons Atl	228	41	59	11	29	.259	
Young Sea	258	33	59	5	19	.259	



## MLB

## NL roundup

# Polanco's homer lifts Pirates over Marlins

The Associated Press

**MIAMI** — Gregory Polanco broke a tie in the 13th inning with his first major league homer, and Pittsburgh overcame a ninth-inning meltdown to score an 8-6 victory over Miami.

Polanco, playing in his fourth big league game, went 5-for-7, scored three times and made a run-saving catch in right field.

Clint Barmes singled off Mike Dunn (5-4) to start the 13th and advanced on a sacrifice. Polanco homered on a 2-2 pitch.

**Cardinals 1, Nationals 0:** Lance Lynn threw eight innings of two-hit ball and Matt Adams homered on his first swing since coming off the disabled list, leading host St. Louis to a win over Washington.

Lynn (7-4) retired his first 16 batters and struck out eight with no walks against the National League East leaders, who had won 10 of 13. Trevor Rosenthal added three more strikeouts in the ninth, working around rookie second baseman Kolten Wong's two-out error on Denard Span's routine grounder for his 18th save in 21 chances.

**Cubs 2, Phillies 1:** Jake Arrieta threw seven impressive innings, Starlin Castro hit a two-run homer and visiting Chicago beat Philadelphia in matchup of last-place teams.

Arrieta (2-1) allowed two hits and no runs, tying a career high with nine strikeouts. He didn't give up a hit until Dominic Brown sliced a double just inside the left-field line with one out in the fifth.

**Reds 6, Brewers 5:** Billy Hamilton drove in the go-ahead run with a single in the ninth inning and visiting Cincinnati capitalized on four Milwaukee errors.

Hamilton lined his single to



J PAT CARTER/AP

**Marlins catcher Jeff Mathis watches as Pittsburgh's Gregory Polanco hits a tie-breaking two-run home run during the 13th inning of Friday's game in Miami. The Pirates won 8-6 in the 13th inning.**

right off Francisco Rodriguez (2-2), the Brewers' closer pitching in a non-save situation. Reds counterpart Aroldis Chapman had little trouble in the bottom of the ninth with a 1-2-3 inning for his 11th save.

**Mets 6, Padres 2:** Bobby Abreu went 4-for-4 with two RBIs and Bartolo Colon pitched fourth-hit ball into the eighth inning for host New York.

Abreu scored twice in the rain-delayed opener of a three-game

series between fourth-place teams struggling to score. Colon (6-5) set down 18 straight batters and won his fourth consecutive decision, sending the Mets to only their second victory in 10 games.

**Rockies 7, Giants 4:** D.J. LeMahieu hit a tiebreaking single in a five-run ninth inning, lifting Colorado to a win over host San Francisco.

The Rockies were listless at the plate for most of the night, trailed 4-2 and had gone five straight in-

nings without a hit before rallying off Giants closer Sergio Romo (3-2), who went into the night tied for most saves in the majors.

**Dodgers 4, Diamondbacks 3:** Clayton Kershaw allowed one run over seven innings, Matt Kemp homered for the first time in more than a month and host Los Angeles beat Arizona.

Kershaw (6-2) gave up eight hits and one run, walked one, and struck out seven to win his third consecutive start.

## Interleague

**Braves 4, Angels 3:** Evan Gattis and Chris Johnson hit back-to-back homers in the first inning and host Atlanta edged Los Angeles for its first interleague victory this season.

The Braves were 0-6 against American League teams before taking advantage of four runs in the first on the two homers off C.J. Wilson (7-6), including a three-run shot by Gattis.



NAM Y. HUN/AP

**The Royals' Nori Aoki, right, scores on an one-run single by Eric Hosmer as White Sox catcher Tyler Flowers waits for the ball during Friday's game in Chicago.**

## AL roundup

# Royals win 5th straight

The Associated Press

**CHICAGO** — Lorenzo Cain had a two-run double to highlight a five-run first inning and Jeremy Guthrie pitched into the sixth inning as Kansas City extended its winning streak to five games with a 7-2 win over the Chicago White Sox.

Guthrie (3-6) allowed two runs and six hits in 5½ innings to snap an 11-game winless streak. His last win was on April 9, against Tampa Bay.

Eric Hosmer and Billy Butler of the Royals each had two RBIs, including a run-scoring single in the first inning.

**Rays 6, Astros 1:** Alex Cobb had 11 of his team's season high-tying 16 strikeouts, helping Tampa Bay to its first road win in almost a month.

Ben Zobrist, Matt Joyce and Evan Longoria drove in two runs apiece to break a 10-game road skid dating to May 16. It's just the third win in the last 17 games overall for the Rays, who have the worst record in the majors at 26-42.

**Blue Jays 4, Orioles 0:** Drew Hutchison scattered six hits over seven innings in another sparkling performance on the road, and visiting Toronto got a two-run homer from Juan Francisco in a victory over Baltimore.

**Twins 2, Tigers 0:** Kyle Gibson threw seven innings and Eduardo Escobar hit a solo homer in the third and drew a bases-loaded walk in the ninth for visiting Minnesota.

**Red Sox 10, Indians 3:** A.J. Pierzynski, Mike Napoli and Dustin Pedroia hit two-run doubles and host Boston scored its season-high in runs.

**Yankees 7, Athletics 0:** David Phelps pitched two-hit ball into the seventh inning and two relievers were perfect the rest of the way, leading visiting New York past Oakland for its fourth straight victory.

**Rangers 1, Mariners 0:** Elvis Andrus singled, stole two bases and scored on Adrian Beltre's infield grounder in the ninth inning and visiting Texas did just enough against Seattle ace Felix Hernandez.



## STANLEY CUP FINALS

## Cup: Longest game in club history ends with title

## FROM BACK PAGE

Alec Martinez scored 14:43 into the second overtime, and the Kings finished the longest playoff run and the longest game in club history with a 3-2 victory over the Rangers on Friday night.

"I don't know if we're part of (a dynasty) yet, but hopefully we're on our way to that," defenseman Drew Doughty said. "I believe this group could be at that point, but it's going to take a lot of work."

Work doesn't scare the Kings, as evidenced by their 26-game odyssey through this spring. They first faced elimination more than seven weeks ago when they lost their first three postseason games to San Jose, but followed up that landmark comeback with two more seven-game series victories.

The Kings stayed on a tight-rope in the Cup finals, winning the first two games in overtime before missing their first chance to finish the series in Game 4 on Wednesday. Back home in front of their grateful fans, Los Angeles rallied from a third-period deficit and played more than 94 minutes of nail-biting hockey in Game 5.

After innumerable chances for both teams in two nail-biting extra periods, Martinez started the final rush with a pass to Kyle Clifford, who dropped it to Tyler Toffoli for a shot. The rebound went straight to Martinez, and the depth defenseman buried it for his fifth goal of the postseason.

"After it went in, I think I blacked out," Martinez said.

Martinez is becoming a late-game playoff legend after also scoring in overtime in Game 7 against Chicago in the Western Conference finals, but the Kings all see themselves as part of something bigger. After finishing third in the Pacific Division and



MARK J. TERRILL/AP

**Los Angeles Kings defenseman Alec Martinez, left, and left wing Kyle Clifford celebrate as New York Rangers goalie Henrik Lundqvist lies on the ice after the Kings beat the Rangers in the second overtime of Game 5 of the Stanley Cup finals on Friday in Los Angeles.**

falling behind 3-0 to San Jose in the first round, coach Darryl Sutter's Kings passed every test with togetherness and level heads.

"The playoffs are a very emotional time, and with all the highs and lows we've gone through, obviously it's a really weird-in-environment," said Martinez, whose goal was his only point of the finals. "So it's important to stay at an even keel, and this is a testament to the character and leadership in our room. I couldn't be happier for these guys."

Marian Gaborik scored a tying power-play goal in the third period, and Jonathan Quick made 28 saves in his second Cup-clinch victory. Williams, the Conn Smythe Trophy winner, scored an early goal as Los Angeles added a second title to its 2012 championship, the first in the franchise's 47-year history.

"What we went through in 2012 (versus) what we went through this year, huge difference," said Williams, a three-time Cup champion after scoring 25 points. "We

really earned it."

Henrik Lundqvist stopped 48 shots in another standout performance for the Eastern Conference champions, but the Rangers repeatedly came up one goal short against the Kings despite their goalie's brilliance.

"You go into this hoping that you don't regret anything," Rangers coach Alain Vigneault said. "We put it out there. We gave our best shot, best effort. What games here all went to OT. What can I say?"

## Los Angeles fans bowing to Kings

By KRISTA FAURIA  
The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Hockey has gone Hollywood — and Hollywood couldn't be happier.

The Los Angeles Kings won their second Stanley Cup in three years Friday night, practically forcing a town never known for its love of the sport to take notice and embrace them.

"It's the second happiest day of my life," said 18-year-old Eric Ex of Los Angeles. "The first was the last time they won two years ago."

The exhaustion Kings fans felt after four hours and two overtimes was immediately replaced by jubilation as the team scored the winning goal to beat the New York Rangers 3-2 in five games.

Huge whoops went up in downtown Los Angeles both inside and outside Staples Center. Fans draped in black in sports bars and watching big screens outside the arena leaped into the air with arms stretched, howled, hugged

and high-fived when the winning goal went in.

Soon giant inflatable Stanley Cups were getting batted around in the plaza outside the arena and in surrounding streets shut down for the celebration. Streamers and thrown rolls of toilet paper filled the air. Shouts and screams of "Go, Kings, go!" could be heard for blocks around.

"Oh my God, that's all I can say," said Jordan Mugford, 24, wearing a Kings jersey as he celebrated outside Staples Center. "This is the second time in three years. It's crazy. This whole city is going to change."

The rest of the city will get to join in the celebration at a downtown victory parade on Monday, Mayor Eric Garcetti's office announced shortly after the Cup was clinched.

The Kings have now won two Stanley Cups since the Dodgers, Lakers or Angels won their last championship.

## Scoreboard



## Stanley Cup finals

(Best-of-seven)

Los Angeles 3, N.Y. Rangers 1  
Los Angeles 3, N.Y. Rangers 2, OT  
Los Angeles 5, N.Y. Rangers 4, 2OT  
Los Angeles 3, N.Y. Rangers 0  
N.Y. Rangers 2, Los Angeles 1  
Friday: Los Angeles 3, New York 2, 2OT

## Friday

Kings 3, Rangers 2 (2OT)

N.Y. Rangers 0 2 0 0-2  
Los Angeles 1 0 1 0-1-3

**First Period**—1, Los Angeles, Williams (King, Stoll), 6:04.  
**Second Period**—2, N.Y. Rangers, Kreider 5 (McDonagh, B.Richards), 15:37 (pp), 3, N.Y. Rangers, Boyle 3 (Hagelin), 19:30 (sh).

**Third Period**—4, Los Angeles, Gaborik 14 (Doughty, Carter), 7:56 (pp).  
**Second Overtime**—5, Los Angeles, Martinez 3 (Toffoli, Clifford), 14:43.

**Shots on goal**—N.Y. Rangers 6-6-3-10-5, 30, Los Angeles 7-10-12-13-5, 51.

**Power-play opportunities**—N.Y. Rangers 1 of 5; Los Angeles 1 of 4.  
**Goalies**—N.Y. Rangers, Lundqvist, 13-11 (0; 51 shots-48 saves), Los Angeles, Quick 16-10 (0; 48-18), T—4-04.

## Stanley Cup-clinching overtime goals

Alec Martinez, Los Angeles vs. N.Y. Rangers, June 13, 2014  
Patrick Kane, Chicago at Philadelphia, June 9, 2010

Jason Arnott, New Jersey at Dallas, 2nd OT, April 20, 1999  
Brett Hull, Dallas at Buffalo, 3rd OT, 2-1, June 9, 1999

Uwe Krupp, Colorado at Florida, 3rd OT, 1-0, June 10, 1996  
Henrik Lundqvist, Islanders vs. Philadelphia, 5-4, May 24, 1980

Jacques Lemaire, Montreal at Boston, 2-1, May 10, 1977  
Bobby Orr, Boston vs. St. Louis, 4-3, May 10, 1970

Henri Richard, Montreal at Detroit, 3-2, May 5, 1966  
Tony Leswick, Detroit vs. Montreal, 2-1, April 16, 1954

Simi, Montreal vs. Boston, 1-0, April 16, 1953  
X-Bill Barilko, Toronto vs. Montreal, 3-2, April 21, 1951

Pete Babando, Detroit vs. N.Y. Rangers, 2nd OT, 4-3, April 23, 1950  
Toe Blake, Montreal vs. Chicago, 5-4, April 13, 1944

Bryan Hextall, N.Y. Rangers at Toronto, 3-2, April 13, 1940  
Milt March, Chicago vs. Detroit, 2nd OT, 1-0, April 10, 1934

Bob Goodenow, N.Y. Rangers at Toronto, 1-0, April 13, 1933  
X>All five games of series went overtime.

## Stanley Cup champions in the expansion era

18 teams have won the Stanley Cup since 1967:

10 — Montreal Canadiens (1968-69, 1971, 1973, 1976-79, 1985, 1989)  
5 — Edmonton Oilers (1984-85, 1987-88, 1990)

4 — New York Islanders (1980-83)  
4 — Detroit Red Wings (1997-98, 2002, 2008)

3 — Boston Bruins (1970, 1972, 2011)  
3 — New Jersey Devils (1995, 2000, 2003)

2 — Pittsburgh Penguins (1991-92, 2009)  
2 — Los Angeles Kings (2012, 2014)

2 — Chicago Blackhawks (2010, 2013)  
2 — Colorado Avalanche (1996, 2001)  
2 — Philadelphia Flyers (1974-75)

1 — Anaheim Ducks (2007)  
1 — Calgary Flames (1989)  
1 — Carolina Hurricanes (2006)

1 — Dallas Stars (1999)  
1 — New York Rangers (1994)  
1 — Tampa Bay Lightning (2004)

## Calendar

June 25 — NHL awards, Las Vegas.  
June 27-28 — NHL Draft, Philadelphia.  
July 1 — Free agency begins.

July 5 — Deadline for player-elected salary arbitration notification.  
July 6 — Deadline for club-elected salary arbitration notification.

July 20-Aug. 6 — Salary arbitration hearing.  
Aug. 8 — Deadline for salary arbitration decisions.



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**Los Angeles Kings right wing Dustin Brown celebrates in the locker room after his team won the Stanley Cup in double overtime over the New York Rangers on Friday in Los Angeles.**

# WORD CUP

## Scoreboard

First Round									
GROUP A									
	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts			
Brazil	1	0	0	3	0	3			
Mexico	1	0	0	0	3	1			
Cameroon	0	1	0	1	0	0			
Croatia	0	1	0	1	3	0			
Thursday, June 12									
At Sao Paulo									
Brazil 3, Croatia 1									
Friday, June 13									
At Natal, Brazil									
Mexico 1, Cameroon 0									
Tuesday, June 17									
At Fortaleza, Brazil									
Brazil vs. Mexico									
Wednesday, June 18									
At Manaus, Brazil									
Croatia vs. Cameroon									
Monday, June 23									
At Brasilia, Brazil									
Brazil vs. Cameroon									
Wednesday, June 26									
At Recife, Brazil									
Croatia vs. Mexico									
GROUP B									
	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts			
Netherlands	1	0	0	3	1	3			
Chile	1	0	0	0	1	3			
Australia	0	1	0	1	3	0			
Spain	0	1	0	1	5	0			
Friday, June 13									
At Salvador, Brazil									
Netherlands 5, Spain 1									
Chile 3, Australia 1									
Wednesday, June 18									
At Rio de Janeiro									
Netherlands vs. Australia									
Monday, June 23									
At Curitiba, Brazil									
Spain vs. Australia									
Thursday, June 26									
At Sao Paulo									
Netherlands vs. Chile									
GROUP C									
	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts			
Colombia	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Greece	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Ivory Coast	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Japan	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Saturday, June 14									
At Belo Horizonte, Brazil									
Colombia vs. Greece									
At Recife, Brazil									
Ivory Coast vs. Japan									
Thursday, June 19									
At Brasilia, Brazil									
Colombia vs. Ivory Coast									
At Natal, Brazil									
Greece vs. Japan									
Tuesday, June 24									
At Curitiba, Brazil									
Colombia vs. Japan									
At Fortaleza, Brazil									
Greece vs. Ivory Coast									
GROUP D									
	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts			
Costa Rica	0	0	0	0	0	0			
England	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Italy	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Uruguay	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Saturday, June 14									
At Fortaleza, Brazil									
Uruguay vs. Costa Rica									
Thursday, June 19									
At Sao Paulo									
Uruguay vs. England									
Friday, June 20									
At Recife, Brazil									
Costa Rica vs. Italy									
Tuesday, June 24									
At Natal, Brazil									
Uruguay vs. Italy									
At Belo Horizonte, Brazil									
Costa Rica vs. England									
GROUP E									
	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts			
Ecuador	0	0	0	0	0	0			
France	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Honduras	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Switzerland	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Sunday, June 15									
At Brasilia, Brazil									
Switzerland vs. Ecuador									
At Porto Alegre, Brazil									
France vs. Honduras									
Friday, June 20									
At Salvador, Brazil									
Switzerland vs. France									
At Curitiba, Brazil									
Ecuador vs. Honduras									



EDUARDO VERDUZCO/AP

Mexico's Oribe Peralta celebrates his goal against Cameroon in Natal, Brazil, on Friday. Peralta scored the only goal.

Wednesday, June 25									
At Manaus, Brazil									
Switzerland vs. Honduras									
At Rio de Janeiro									
Ecuador vs. France									
GROUP F									
	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts			
Argentina	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Bosnia-Herzegovina	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Iran	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Nigeria	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Sunday, June 15									
At Rio de Janeiro									
Argentina vs. Bosnia-Herzegovina									
Monday, June 16									
At Curitiba, Brazil									
Iran vs. Nigeria									
Saturday, June 21									
At Belo Horizonte, Brazil									
Argentina vs. Iran									
At Curitiba, Brazil									
Bosnia-Herzegovina vs. Nigeria									
Wednesday, June 25									
At Porto Alegre, Brazil									
Argentina vs. Nigeria									
At Salvador, Brazil									
Bosnia-Herzegovina vs. Iran									
GROUP G									
	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts			
Germany	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Ghana	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Portugal	0	0	0	0	0	0			
United States	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Monday, June 16									
At Salvador, Brazil									
Germany vs. Portugal									
At Natal, Brazil									
Ghana vs. United States									
Saturday, June 21									
At Fortaleza, Brazil									
Germany vs. Ghana									
Sunday, June 22									
At Manaus, Brazil									
Portugal vs. United States									
Thursday, June 26									
At Recife, Brazil									
Germany vs. United States									
At Salvador, Brazil									
Portugal vs. Ghana									
GROUP H									
	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts			
Algeria	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Belgium	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Russia	0	0	0	0	0	0			



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## STANLEY CUP FINALS

# Kings of the Cup

## Los Angeles back on top after 2OT Game 5 victory

By GREG BEACHAM  
The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Dustin Brown skated over to Gary Bettman and practically snatched the 35-pound silver trophy out of the NHL commissioner's hands, thrusting it skyward while a packed arena roared.

Although the electric moment had a familiar feel to the Los Angeles Kings and their fans, all this success is still a bit surreal to anybody who loves this long-struggling club.

After 45 years spent mostly as a hockey punch line and a Los Angeles afterthought, the Kings have won the Stanley Cup twice in the last three seasons.

And after eliminating the New York Rangers in five games at the close of an epic two-month playoff run, the Kings are unshakably confident in themselves, in each other — and in the idea they could relive this defining moment a few more times.

"We have a team that simply will not be denied," playoffs MVP Justin Williams said.

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Kings defenseman Alec Martinez carries the Stanley Cup after beating the New York Rangers in Game 5 of the Stanley Cup finals on Friday in Los Angeles. Martinez scored the winning goal in double overtime.

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